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DEEPLY BIASED: INDIA SLAMS U.S. REPORT ON RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said the report cherry-picked incidents to push a preconceived narrative against India

DRIVEN BY VOTEBANK CONSIDERATIONS: MEA

"As in the past, the report is deeply biased, lacks an understanding of India's social fabric and is visibly driven by votebank considerations and a prescriptive outlook," Jaiswal said. "We therefore reject it. The exercise itself is a mix of imputations, misrepresentations, selective usage of facts, reliance on biased sources and a one-sided projection of issues," he added

'QUESTIONS INTEGRITY OF JUDICIAL VERDICTS'

- While releasing the report in Washington on Wednesday, US Secretary of State Antony Blinken had flagged a 'concerning increase' in anti-conversion laws, hate speech, and demolition of homes and places of worship in India
- The MEA spokesperson said the US State Department's annual report appears to challenge the integrity of certain judgments by Indian courts

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CHURCHES WERE BURNED DOWN IN MANIPUR IN 2023, SAYS THE U.S. REPORT

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

Record rain in 88yrs maroons Delhi

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

AFTER record heat, it poured like there was no tomorrow on the first day of monsoon in the national capital, drenching Delhi with the highest one-day rainfall in 88 years. It rained cats and dogs from about 4 am to 8.30 am and left major parts of Delhi and the adjoining national capital region flooded.

Water entered homes, submerging vehicles and leading to massive traffic snarls that took hours to detangle. Thousands of commuters found themselves stranded.

The Safdarjung Automatic Weather Station recorded a whopping 228.1 mm rainfall in 24 hours, the second highest since 1936 when the precipitation was 235 mm. The total rainfall recorded in June so far is 234.5 mm as against the normal of 74.1 mm. Friday's downpour was more than one-third of the total normal monsoon rainfall from June to September at Safdarjung, which is around 640 mm.

"Following a hot weather streak, the region got 148.5 mm, almost the double of June's normal rain, in just 3 hours, and nearly the entire August rain in about 6 hours!" said Akshay Deoras, UK-based scientist at the National Centre for Atmospheric Science and Department of Meteorology, University of Reading.

Explaining how global warming-induced climate change causes heavy downpours in a short span, he said, "The soil becomes dry and hard following a streak of hot weather. If rain falls in large amounts in a short span, the soil can repel water, increasing the risk of a flash flood. Unfortunately, such events are expected to become more frequent due to global warming."

HIGHEST DAILY RAINFALL AT SAFDARJUNG OBSERVATORY

RANK	RAINFALL (IN MM)	DATE
1	235.5	24.06.1936
2	228.1	28.06.2024
3	191.6	30.06.1981
4	139.7	24.06.1933

MONTHLY AVERAGE RAINFALL FOR SAFDARJUNG (JUNE-SEPT) IN MM

June	74.1	August	233.1
July	209.7	September	123.4

A collapsed canopy at Terminal 1 of Indira Gandhi International Airport crushes parked cars, following heavy rain and wind, in New Delhi on Friday | PTI

CABBIE KILLED IN CANOPY COLLAPSE

UJWAL JALALI @ New Delhi: One cabbie died while six others sustained injuries after a portion of the canopy at the Delhi Airport's Terminal-1 collapsed amid heavy pre-dawn rains on Friday. Deputy Commissioner of Police (IGI-A) Usha Rangnani said the shed outside Terminal 1 of the domestic airport, from Departure Gate 1 to Gate 2, collapsed around 5 am with its beams crashing on parked cabs. The deceased was identified as Ramesh Kumar (45). Iron beams from the roof crashed on his parked cab with him inside. The injured were rushed to Medanta Hospital from where they were shifted to Safdarjung Hospital. "Around four vehicles were damaged and six persons were injured. All the injured persons are stable," Rangnani said. The Delhi Police later registered a case of death due to negligence under the Indian Penal Code. New Civil Aviation Minister Ram Mohan Naidu Kinjarapu took stock of the situation. His ministry ordered a probe into the incident, and directed the airport operator to do a thorough inspection. The rains disrupted flight services for a few hours.

Repeated disruptions force both Houses to be adjourned without conducting business

OPPN STALLS PARL TO MAKE NEET POINT

PREETHA NAIR & RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

BOTH Houses of Parliament witnessed dramatic scenes and multiple adjournments on Friday with Opposition parties led by the Congress pressing for a debate on alleged irregularities in the NEET-UG exam. In the Lok Sabha, Opposition members sought suspension of all other matters to discuss the NEET fiasco but Speaker Om Birla ruled that a discussion on the President's address be taken first.

In the Lok Sabha, Leader of the Opposition Rahul Gandhi demanded a 'respectful' discussion on the NEET issue to show solidarity with the students. "We wanted to give a joint message to the students of India, on behalf of the Opposition and government, that we consider this an important issue. So, we thought that to respect students we will have a discussion on NEET today, a dedicated discussion," he said.

The Opposition benches erupted in uproar when Rahul Gandhi claimed his microphone was switched off. In response, Birla said he had no control over microphones. "The discussion should be on the President's address. Other matters will not be recorded," the Speaker said.

Noisy scenes unfolded in the Rajya Sabha as well. At one point, Leader of the Opposition in the Rajya Sabha Mallikarjun Kharge too entered the Well of the House to join the protest. This triggered a sharp comment from Rajya Sabha Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar, who said it is for the first time that a person occupying the post has engaged in such a conduct.

In the Upper House, the disruptions were marked by intense sloganeering, leading to the suspension of proceedings three times. The third adjournment came after DMK member Tiruchi Siva informed the House that Congress member Phulo Devi Netam had fainted.

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju slammed the Congress for disrupting parliamentary proceedings.

Now, Lingayat seer wants CM post for leaders of community

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @ Belagavi

THE issue surrounding a possible change of guard in the state continues to gain momentum. Religious leaders and politicos from the dominant communities are continuing to exert pressure on the ruling Congress, seeking that the top posts in government be bestowed upon leaders from among their ranks.

While on Thursday, Chandrashekhar Swami of Vishwa Vokkaliga Mahasamsthana Math appealed to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to make way for DK Shivakumar to become the CM, on Friday, a well-known seer of the Lingayat community, Dr Channasiddarama Panditaradhya Shivacharya of Chikkodi, stated that the Congress high command should give the CM post to a minister from the Veerashaiva Lingayat community, if the party is contemplating a change of guard.

"If the government is thinking about a change of guard in the state, it should give the CM's post to a Veerashaiva Lingayat minister," Dr Channasiddarama reiterated.

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TT rams parked lorry near Haveri, claims 13 lives

KIRAN BALANNANAVAR @ Haveri

THIRTEEN people died on the spot and four others were injured after their Tempo Traveller rammed a parked lorry on NH-48, near Haveri. The predawn accident happened at Gundenahalli cross, close to Byadagi town.

Police said the driver of the Tempo Traveller (KA-01-AB-4760) rammed his vehicle into the lorry (KA-51-D-3530) parked along the highway. Passersby called the 112 team and soon a medical team reached the spot.

The deceased were identified as driver Adarsh (25), Arunkumar (32), Nageshwar Rao (52), Bhagya Bai (45), Vishalakshi (49), Subhadra Bai (60), Anjali (29), Manjula Bai (60), Manasa (20), Roopa Bai (30), Manjula (54), Arya (3) and Nandan (5). The injured are Annapoorna (52), Arpita (17), Parshuram (48) and Goutam (12). The deceased were from Emmihatti village of Bhadravati taluk in Shivamogga district. The lorry driver and cleaner were arrested.

Relatives and police from Holehonnur arrived at Haveri government hospital, where the four injured passengers were being treated.

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The wreckage of the Tempo Traveller, after it rammed a parked lorry on NH-48 near Haveri on Friday | EXPRESS

Two of the injured have been admitted to the ICU and their condition is serious. The driver and cleaner of the lorry were arrested

Anshu Kumar, Superintendent of Police, Haveri district

Soren out of prison on bail after 5 months

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

AFTER spending nearly five months behind bars, former Jharkhand chief minister Hemant Soren on Friday walked out jail after the Jharkhand High Court granted him regular bail in a money laundering case linked to a land scam.

The court said there is no reason to believe he is guilty of the charges. After hearing both sides on June 13, a bench of Justice Rongon Mukhopadhyay had kept its order reserved, which was pronounced on Friday.

"The overall conspectus of the case based on broad probabilities does not specifically or indirectly assign the petitioner to be involved in the acquisition and possession as well as concealment of 8.86 acres of land at Shanti Nagar, Baragain, Ranchi connected to the 'proceeds of crime'. None of the registers/revenue records bare imprint of the direct involvement of the petitioner in the acquisition and possession of the said land," the order said.

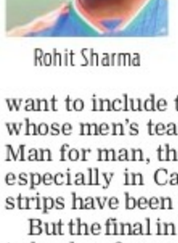
Soren was arrested by ED on January 31 in connection with the case. After his interim bail plea was rejected and subsequent withdrawal of his petition from the Supreme Court, Soren had moved to Jharkhand High Court seeking a regular bail for him. After stepping out of the prison around 4 pm on Friday, the JMM leader alleged that he was a victim of a conspiracy.

Hemant Soren addresses media after his release from jail | PTI

Bridge-tone: It's all blue for now

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Chennai

A World Cup final in the last week of June? If Indian fans are looking for some signs from up above, this one is right there, staring you in the face, front and centre. June 25, 1983, was when India won it for the first time (in one dayers), slaying the two-time and defending champions, West Indies. Forty-one years and a few days later, they have the opportunity to end a decade-old drought for global gold.



Rohit Sharma

They came close to ending it in the longer formats last year but lost on both occasions to familiar foes, Australia. Standing between them and a second T20 World Cup title (fifth if you want to include the OG version) is South Africa, whose men's team are in unchartered territory. Man for man, the Indian team come out on top, especially in Caribbean conditions where the strips have been low, slow with some grip.

But the final in Bridgetown, Barbados, promises to be close for a variety of reasons. There are multiple similarities (a top-order with an out of form opener, one batter who will look to break open the powerplay, one left-arm wrist-spinner, one future Hall of Famer seamer, one decent left-arm pacer...) but the biggest factor is that the South African batters match up well to the Indian spinners.

Zooming out, they are both units so driven by the idea of success for different reasons. For India, with multiple generational talents in various points of their career, they want to add a title to further embellish their body of work and to repay the faith their employers have in them. Individual records are great but the primary currency in sport is finishing first in big tournaments. India have let themselves down in this regard.

For the Proteas, it's to show the cricketing world this is the beginning of a new dawn, free of the baggage most of their teams have had since readmission.

Live on Star Sports/Hotstar from 8 PM

VIKRAM MISRI

NEW FOREIGN SECRETARY

Dy National Security Adviser Vikram Misri, a renowned expert on China, will succeed incumbent Vinay Kwatra on July 15 | P9

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ALMANAC TODAY
Saturday: 29.06.2024 • Year: Krodhi • Ayana: Uttharayana
Ritu: Greeshma • Masa: Jyeshta • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Ashtami 3.30 pm
Nakshatra: Uttharabhadra 10.37 am • Moon in Mesha Rashi • Rahukaala: 09:00 am to 10:30 am
Gulikakala: 06:00 am to 07:30 am • Yamaganda: 01:49 pm to 03:26 pm

WEATHER
MIN 21°C | MAX 30°C
FORECAST
Showers late. Cloudy

Sunrise 05.56 am
Sunset 06.49 pm
Moonrise 12.11 pm
Moonset 12.40 am

Post KIA T2, Bamboo Bazar Metro station to have all-bamboo interiors

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

IN a first for Metro stations in India, the interiors of the upcoming Bamboo Bazar Metro station, being constructed by the Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL), will entirely be made using bamboo.

Punati Shridhar, Chairman, Bamboo Society of India (BSI), and former Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, said they had approached BMRCL for creating a theme-based station using bamboo, which the latter has agreed. The medians below the metro tracks and stations will also be greened using local and Indian bamboo.

Dr KN Murthy, Executive Director, BSI, told *The New Indian Express*, that Bambusa tulda wood from Tripura will be used for the metro station where the landscape, open area and crafts will also be done with bamboo. Also, the five-kilometre-stretch

on Bannerghatta Road from Jayadeva hospital to Meenakshi Temple, below the metro tracks and the stations, will be greened with Bambusa multiplex.

He said both the works will start in the next three months and would cost around Rs 5-6 crore. However the final financial estimates and the bamboo required is still being calculated. The BMRCL will fund the metro station works and the greening of the medians done using its corporate social responsibility funds.

BSI chairman Sridhar highlighted an irony that is being sought to be corrected, and explained why India needs to use more of its own bamboo in construction and interiors within the country. Although India has 13.9 million hectares of land under bamboo cultivation — the largest in the world — it is China with just seven million hectares of land for bamboo cultivation which is the largest producer with 150 million tonnes. India's production is just 4.6 million tonnes. Increase in consumption and demand could see a rise in production.

While there is a proposal to also create a Mumbai metro station using bamboo, it may be noted that the interiors of Terminal-2 of Kempegowda International Airport have been done using bamboo, and the walls and flooring of the new Parliament House house in New Delhi are also made with bamboo.

SINKHOLE FIX

Experts for soil survey on Metro UG route

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

WITH a huge sinkhole surfacing on the KG Halli-Nagawara Road due to Metro tunnelling work on Thursday, experts are pitching for a soil survey, and also to check for utilities on the tunnelling route to avoid such incidents in future.

With ongoing work on Metro Reach-6 connecting Gottigere to Nagawara (22 km) and also Metro rail work in another phase, geologists observed that sinkholes pose a serious threat to these infrastructure projects.

"Factors like karst topography (formed by soluble bedrock and debris) in certain areas, excessive groundwater extraction and construction practices have led to the cavity of roads. Due to water lines and sewer lines underneath, there is a possibility of similar instances in future, as there is heavy vehicle movement. Hence, the BMRCL and BWSSB should sit together and draw up a plan. They should do a joint survey and only then proceed with tunnelling work," said geo-environmentalist Dr D Paramesha Naik, Assistant Professor at the Department of Environmental Sciences at Bangalore University.

Renuka Prasad, former professor of geology and Coordinator of Bio Park, Bangalore University, opined that before earth work or tunnelling for the Metro or any big project, there should be a comprehensive geo-physical survey to know the water, soil, weather zone and hard rock, which could be around 30-40 km in Bengaluru, Mysuru and Southern Karnataka. Due to internal dynamics, fractures are developed in the hard rock and it is these fractures that result in sinkholes and cave in of roads. The impact of fractures in Bengaluru is very less.

"In many areas, BWSSB has changed water and sewer lines and over the period, the soil becomes loose. Due to the seeping of water either from damaged BWSSB pipes or due to rain and the movement of heavy vehicles, roads cave in, however, it may not cause any damage to Metro tunnelling work as the tunnel is 30 metres below the ground. The work may be suspended until the cavity is fixed," said a BMRCL engineer.

BDA PLANS TO CARVE UP 6 LAYOUTS ALONG PRR, FORM 50,000 SITES

₹27,000-cr PRR will run for 73km as a semicircle around city, with aim to decongest traffic

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

THE Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) has decided to develop six new layouts along the Peripheral Ring Road (PRR) which will have 50,000 sites of various dimensions. The BDA will require nearly 3,500 acres for the same.

The Rs 27,000-crore PRR will run for 73km as a semicircle around the city, with the aim of decongesting the city's traffic, and will be an eight-lane access controlled expressway that will slice through the three taluks of Bengaluru North, Bengaluru East and Anekal.

BDA Commisisoner N Jayaram told *The New Indian Express*, "Due to high demand for BDA sites, we have decided to create 50,000 new ones. We decided on it over two months ago and our Board has already given the 'in principle' consent for it. The preliminary process has already begun with identification of lands to be acquired."

The commissioner said the BDA will provide compensation for the land losers, based on the 40:60 scheme only. As per this model, anyone who parts with land for BDA will be handed 40 per cent of the developed land in the same layout, while BDA will retain 60 per cent of the land.

A top official said, "In exact terms, this translates to 9,583 sqft of developed land for every acre of land acquired."

Expected cost of sites

On the expected cost of the sites, he said they "will be affordable, like all BDA sites in the past have been".

Asked if the need to shore up BDA's finances was the reason for this sudden move, Jayaram said, "We had planned it nearly three months ago. The objective of BDA is to help the public get affordable sites and houses."

The Bangalore Development Authority's latest Dr Shivaram Karanth Layout has 34,000 sites, of which 10,000 sites would be made available for the public. It is awaiting the Karnataka High Court's nod to go ahead with the notification.

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N Jayaraj, BDA Commissioner

Authority to call fresh tender for PRR project

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) has decided to call for a new tender for the Rs 27,000-crore Peripheral Ring Road (PRR) project as the present bidder has been found to be ineligible, said BDA Commissioner N Jayaram. This will be the fourth round of tendering for the project since it was proposed in 2007. Jayaram also said that the PRR project would be extended by another 55 km in future.

A top official said, "This would be PRR-2. The present PRR project runs to 73.03 km. It is coming up on 2,560 acres of land. We will be re-tendering it shortly after making some changes."

The PRR runs from Tumakuru Road (NH-48) and go via Doddaballapur Road, Ballari Road, Old Madras Road, Whitefield Road and the end of Hosur Road (NH-44). "We plan to extend PRR from Tumakuru Road to Mysuru Road via Kanakapura Road as part of the next phase," he said. The land has already been acquired for this phase, a source said.

Meanwhile, the BDA is considering holding monthly interactions with the public on the lines of the Adalats held by other government agencies, said BDA Chairman NA Haris. He stated this during an informal interaction with the media on Friday, along with Jayaram, in a bid to improve the functioning of the Authority.

The Karnataka FSSAI may soon take decisive action regarding the sale of pani puri, after testing 260 samples statewide | VINOD KUMAR T

FSSAI inspects food hygiene at 200 bus stands

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

IN a bid to maintain high food quality standards and adherence to protocols, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) conducted intensive inspection at more than 200 bus stands across the state, targeting over 700 shops, to identify those selling products past their expiry date or without FSSAI licensing, which regulates consumption quality standards.

A senior FSSAI official told *TNIE* that during inspection, they found an outlet at Malur bus stand in Kolar district selling only expired items, including chips, soft drinks, juices, snacks, and biscuits. The shop has now been temporarily shut by the department.

The official said that in May, several complaints indicated that the quality of food items sold at bus stands, particularly those at the town and district levels, was compromised and not safe for consumption.

The cases were highlighted by a few people who had taken to social media to report about the quality of food sold at bus stands. As a response, the first phase of inspections were conducted, aiming to penalise sellers in accordance with the Food Safety Act, 2006.

"The outlets will undergo reinspection. This is to serve a warning to ensure that nothing which compromises with people's health is sold," the official mentioned.

Pani puri samples

The Karnataka FSSAI may soon take decisive action regarding the sale of pani puri, after testing 260 samples statewide. Of the total samples collected, about 41 were found to be unsafe due to the presence of artificial colouring and carcinogens, while 18 samples were said to be of poor quality.

The report analysis showed that several sellers had been mixing chemicals and artificial colouring like brilliant blue - a blue colourant for processed foods, sunset yellow - an orange dye, and tartrazine - a synthetic yellow dye.

Food safety officials said they are currently analysing the situation to decide on measures against violators and ways to enforce food safety standards.

Canopy collapse: Bengaluru-Delhi flights affected

A total of 18 flights between Bengaluru and New Delhi were impacted on Friday due to the collapse of a canopy of Terminal 1 at Indira Gandhi International Airport in the national capital. A total of nine IndiGo flights arriving from New Delhi airport's T1 to Bengaluru, and nine outgoing IndiGo flights from Kempegowda International Airport's Terminal 1 to Delhi's T1 have been cancelled. An IndiGo statement asked passengers to call 0124 6173838 or 0124 4973838 to seek assistance on their travel plans.

ROAD SAFETY FIRST

As part of Ride Safe India campaign by The New Indian Express and Hero MotoCorp, PES University Vice-Chancellor Dr J Surya Prasad and Registrar Dr KS Sridhar distribute helmets among their staff, in Bengaluru on Friday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

29TH June: Today is sacred to the Roman god Saturn, the Greek Cronos and, of course Shani, who is often associated with karma. Of course, karma relates to the totality of our lives, thoughts and deeds, represented in all the planets, but what Shani, Cronos and Saturn all share is that they judge our actions. It is time to remember the virtues of honest and ethical behaviour!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Your interest in exotic places and foreign cultures will soon inspire you to plan an overseas break. Accept opportunities which come your way, and in the meantime focus your energy on co-operation in all routine affairs: the way to prepare the ground for adventure is to deal with the details first.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Put extra effort into domestic and routine affairs, and get escalating chores under control. But do take advantage of spreading social opportunities. There may not be much to worry you, so be sure to fulfil previous engagements and, if time permits, accept new invitations.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Make an early start, especially if you've vital correspondence to catch up with or short journeys to make. You may hear some interesting news about a relative or close companion, and must rearrange your plans accordingly. By the way, there is much to be done before partners are ready to see your point of view.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
If necessary, spend some time sorting out your financial affairs and making plans for future investments and purchases. Resolving a complex relationship may be rather hard work, but will be well worth the effort in the long run. Strangely, in the short term, domestic pressures will ease.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
You may have cause to be out and about on family business, perhaps making profitable arrangements. The Moon, though, points to sharp swings in mood as time progresses. I am afraid that is unavoidable, but then you'll also have the chance to duck out of a tedious responsibility.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
This should be a lively period, but you'll be able to take events at your own pace. If you've been in a rather solitary mood, you may now begin to feel more active, outgoing and sociable. And that has to be good news, especially if you are determined to right an old wrong.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Balance professional demands with family commitments. Work hard and play hard is the message, though perhaps an unexpected one for your sign. You're in the mood for a flutter, and may be on a winning streak. But, there could be twelve weeks of wrangling before your goals are finally reached.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
It's a time to think about your ideals and vision of the future, and plans formulated now could prove to have fascinating effects when implemented. Certainly, friends and associates will be pleasantly surprised by your change of approach.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Get your cash-flow under control now, otherwise you will find money draining away in a trickle that is in danger of becoming a flood. You are under broadly helpful influences if travel plans are under way, although many short journeys are more likely than one long one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Your personal interests may take second place today, which is not necessarily a bad thing. Use the opportunity to see what you can learn from colleagues, and take a leaf out of someone else's book as far as emotional issues are concerned. After all, if they're doing it right, you have something to learn.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
An active time coping with mundane tasks should prepare you adequately for future responsibilities. Romantic trends are now prospering from Venus' positive position, and you may make extra time for unexpected socialising. Watch out for hidden costs, including emotional ones, though.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Entertainments and enjoyable encounters may have to be delayed if working responsibilities and domestic chores are not settled soon. Above all, keep others well informed of your plans and progress. If there was ever a time to tell partners what you're doing, this is it.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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SUDOKU EVIL

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 Dance of triplets in later natal development (10)
6 All quiet in the reservoir (4)
10 Become the object of the exercise it appears (5)
11 Fruitful source of information (9)
12 Spendthrift pair involved with gold (8)
13 A medium iron (5)
15 They may be responsible for reports from the front (7)
17 Receives and deceives (5,2)
19 The first mate takes the others for a tough climb (7)
21 Horseman may give an ace turn (7)
22 A walrus signalling (5)
24 Take care if it changes - it's a trick (8)
27 Arrange a loan and I get a note in exchange (9)
28 Excuse for the absent-minded? (5)
29 Market shows disappointment (4)
30 Drama put right after direction from the author? (10)

DOWN
1 Punch's dog needs to get by (4)
2 An allusion to one's character and ability perhaps (9)
3 Made a record and was famous (5)
4 Binds books (7)
5 Tract of grassland left untidy (7)
7 Join one in a new tune (5)
8 Requests put with an attempt at jocularity (10)
9 Is said to be ordered in advance (8)
14 Mere agents might make them (10)
16 The basics of meteorology (8)
18 Looking for loose change sir? (9)
20 A number walk wearily around - it's hard work (7)
21 There's a case for it in a canteen (7)
23 A majestic glare perhaps (5)
25 Instinct for money in the market (5)
26 Partly put in the shade (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Backlog, 5 Annie, 8 Destroyer, 9 Was, 10 Wade, 12 Seashore, 14 Limpid, 15 Jerkin, 17 Rest cure, 18 Iron, 21 Ewe, 22 Any moment, 24 Speak, 25 Rallies.

Down: 1 Bedew, 2 Cos, 3 Lure, 4 Geyser, 5 Arrested, 6 New Yorker, 7 Eastern, 11 Damascene, 13 Gimcrack, 14 Largess, 16 Prayer, 19 Notes, 20 Cowl, 23 Eli.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Print answer here: ( ) THE ( ) (Answers Monday)

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Answer: Addition was invented — "SUM" TIME AGO

Udupi Cochin Shipyard Limited (UCSL) has got the order from Wilson ASA, Norway, for Design and Construction of four -6300 TDW Dry Cargo Vessels. Agreement has also been entered into for additional four vessels of the same type which will be formally contracted within September 19, 2024

FOGGING OF MOSQUITO BREEDING SITES TAKEN UP

1.39 crore houses surveyed in K'taka, 12.04 lakh in BBMP limits; Five deaths reported in state since January

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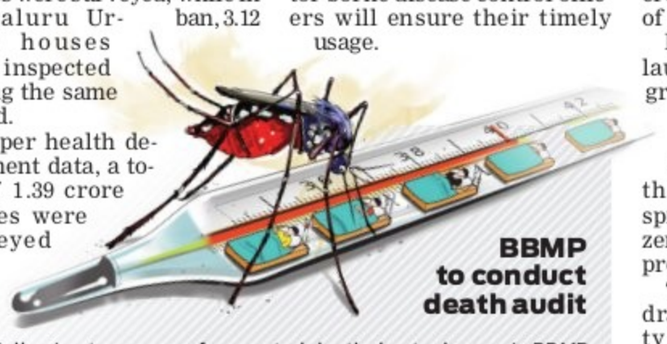
IN a bid to control the surge in dengue cases, the health department carried out fogging to eliminate mosquito habitats and favourable breeding sites for larvae.

As part of the 'source reduction activity', 12.04 lakh houses were surveyed in BBMP limits, including about 7.6 lakh houses in the first fortnight of June. In Bengaluru Rural, 2.12 lakh houses were surveyed, while in Bengaluru Urban, 3.12 lakh houses were inspected during the same period.

As per health department data, a total of 1.39 crore houses were surveyed across the state, with 1.18 crore residences inspected in the first two weeks in June. Five deaths were reported in the state due to dengue since January, with one each in Haveri, Dharwad, Hassan, Shivamogga and Karwar.

According to the health department, health staff and ASHA workers across the state will continue these activities. Testing kits, fogging chemicals and larvicides are available in sufficient quantities, and vector-borne disease control officers will ensure their timely usage.



BBMP to conduct death audit

Following two cases of suspected death due to dengue in BBMP limits recently, the civic body will be conducting a death audit on Saturday to know the exact cause of death. The report will be submitted to the health department.

BBMP chief commissioner bats for microplan to control dengue

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CHIEF COMMISSIONER of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahangara Palike (BBMP), Tushar Girinath, instructed the officials to prepare a comprehensive microplan to control the spread of dengue in the city.

He was speaking after launching the 'Dry Day' programme to control dengue at GM Palya in New Thippasandra Ward in the city's East Zone. Girinath asked the officials concerned to spread awareness among citizens on dengue and the ways to prevent it.

'Dry Day' involves the public draining of drums, pots, empty containers, etc, to prevent mosquito breeding. "Dengue is spread by the mosquito Aedes aegypti. Residents should ensure that there is no stagnant water in their surroundings. Residents should empty their drums at least once a week and refill them. If the same water is stored for more than a week, then mosquitoes will breed in them," he advised the citizens.

He opined that ASHA workers distributing pamphlets door-to-door on dengue will help in preventing the spread of this disease. Girinath also said that mosquito breeding sites should be eradicated by spraying chemicals on the surface. He suggested that a comprehensive report on door-to-door surveys should be conducted and data should be entered in PRISM-H software daily.

The Zonal Commissioner, Joint Commissioner and Health Officer visited and inspected the places of operation of 'Dry Day' in all eight zones. The Special Commissioner of the Health Department also visited and inspected 'Dry Day' activities in Mahalakshmi Layout.

The Zonal Commissioner of Yelahanka visited a school and advised students to ensure that there is no stagnation of water in their houses. He told them to spread awareness about dengue in their neighbourhood.

Meanwhile, members of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) led by Karnataka secretary Mohan Dasari and Mahadevapura president Ashok Mruthyunjaya, held a protest at the BBMP head office, alleging negligence by Palike in dealing with the dengue situation.

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Tushar Girinath, BBMP Chief Commissioner

AUTOPSY REPORT

Police lathi was used to beat up Renukaswamy

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AFTER the postmortem report of 33-year-old Renukaswamy said he was beaten with a stick that resembled a lathi, police officers have found that a cane lathi was used to beat him.

The lathi kept at actor Darshan's RR Nagar residence security room was used to beat the victim.

During Darshan's birthday celebrations, jurisdictional police were deployed to control his fans. After the celebrations, the lathi is said to have been found outside the house, and was later kept in the security room.

Renukaswamy

After Renukaswamy was kidnapped and brought to the Pattanagere shed in RR Nagar, the actor reportedly told his accomplices to bring the lathi from his house. The victim was beaten so hard that the lathi is said to have broken into two pieces.

Meanwhile, police officers who went through CCTV camera footage of the Pattanagere shed, found that Darshan was inside the shed for almost 50 minutes.

On June 8, Darshan is reportedly seen entering the shed with his friend V Vinay, 38, owner of Stonny Brook Pub in RR Nagar, at 4.30pm. The shed where the murder took place is owned by Vinay's uncle Pattanagere Jayanna. He then leaves the shed around 5.20pm.

The actor is said to have asked his accomplice, Pawan, to read out the messages which Renukaswamy had sent to Pavithra Gowda. When Pawan was reading out the messages loudly, the actor is alleged to have attacked the victim.

Initially, Darshan had told police after his arrest that he was in the shed for just over two minutes, and left after giving money to Renukaswamy, asking him to return to his hometown and not to send messages to Pavithra again.

Investigators have also found that Renukaswamy had sent around 200 lewd messages to Pavithra Gowda, using a fake Instagram ID.

When she did not respond to the messages, he sent a picture of his private part. Frustrated over this, she showed the messages to Pawan, who then took her phone and started messaging the victim. Pawan was successful in trapping Renukaswamy and found out his whereabouts.

Accused number 17 L Nikhil Nayak, 21, a resident of Kembathalli on Bannerghatta Main Road, who is presently lodged in Tumakuru prison, has applied for bail. Nikhil's advocate filed for bail in a city-based sessions court.

Nikhil is one of the accused who shifted the body from the shed and disposed of it at Sumanahalli storm water drain. He then surrendered along with three others before the Kamakshipalya police on June 10, claiming responsibility for the murder.

88-yr-old Mahavir Chakra recipient undergoes robotic knee surgery

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SK Gupta, 88, a Mahavir Chakra recipient, who had been severely impaired by knee arthritis, recently underwent successful treatment through tech-enabled robotic knee surgery.

The procedure restored his mobility with enhanced precision beyond human visual capabilities.

Instead of traditional methods, robotic surgery was done as it minimises the potential for human error and inconsistencies, resulting in smaller incisions, reduced blood loss, and faster recovery times.

According to the surgeons at Narayana Health City where he was operated, knee arthritis is projected to become the fourth most common cause of physical disability in the country within the next decade. Prof Arun Ranganathan said that during the procedure, real-time mapping is conducted to generate a 3D model of the patient's knee while a robotic arm or device assists the procedure.

Highlighting the benefits, Dr Prashanth BN, Orthopaedic Surgeon, Robotic Joint Replacement, Knee Replacement Surgery at Narayana Health City mentioned that robotics include decreased risk of injury to surrounding tissues, reduced infection rate, and early rehabilitation contributing to shorter hospital stays and less future revisions.

MONSOON JOY

A rainbow appears in the sky over Central Business District in the city after Friday afternoon's rainfall | ALLEN EGENUSE J

Construction workers' welfare fund: Furnish details of audit report, K'taka HC tells board

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SENSING the alleged misuse of funds from the crores of rupees construction workers' welfare cess being collected by the Karnataka Building and Other Construction Workers' Welfare Board by diverting it for purchase of luxury car and others, the Karnataka High Court directed the board to produce the complete audit reports from 2019 till date and the expenditure incurred along with an affidavit of an officer.

IN THE HC

Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the order after hearing the petitions filed by two children of construction workers for not providing financial assistance by the board to pursue post-graduation. During the pendency of the petition, the board released the funds for the students, after the court took it to the task.

Meanwhile, on June 7, the court directed the board to place on record by way of an affidavit, the total amount that is in the coffers of the fund and the expenditure that would be done from, out of the said fund.

Accordingly, the affidavit of the secretary and chief executive officer of the board was placed on record stating that Rs 6,700 crore are in deposit for interest at various banks and close to 19 items of expenditure are depicted in the affidavit. Advocate General Shashikiran Shetty submitted that there are 29 schemes for the benefit of the construction workers, as the cess every year is collected from people undertaking construction for the purpose of the welfare of construction workers and their families.

However, the counsel for petitioners submitted that all these expenditures that are projected are subject to verification by them. It is the specific case of the petitioners that the 2019 report of the Comptroller and Auditor General pointed out that the miscellaneous expenditure permitted under the relevant law is only 5% but the board has increased to 72% for the preceding four years as obtained in 2019, he said.

"The administrative and miscellaneous expenditure permitted under the law is Rs 26.95 crore. What the officers have spent is Rs.386.54 crore. Though the report is of five years vintage, the counsel for the petitioners further submitted that even today, there is a misuse of funds by the officers," he submitted while quoting the purchase of a car for Rs 30 lakh from the fund. "Though Rs 30 lakh comes within the 5% permitted expenditure, it is only the tip of the iceberg," he argued.

CRIME PATROL

Vehicle lifter arrested, vehicles worth Rs 18 lakh recovered

BENGALURU: Based on clues gathered after analysing CCTV camera footage, the VV Puram police nabbed a man who had stolen vehicles parked along the road. The police recovered six vehicles worth Rs 18 lakh, including a tempo traveller. The accused has been identified as Abhishek alias Vikas (27), a resident JP Nagar and a native of Chamarajanagar. The police said that based on a complaint filed by Krishnamurthy, the owner of the tempo traveller, whose vehicle parked near Sathyanarayana Temple in VV Puram was stolen, they checked the CCTV camera footage near the vehicle parking areas. Following that, the accused traced and arrested on Thursday. A tempo traveller, three autorickshaws, and five two-wheelers worth over Rs 18 lakh were recovered. Three theft cases have been registered against him in Banashankari, Vijayanagar, and JP Nagar, the police added. ENS

DOCUMENTS LOST

This is to inform the general public that my client JAMEEL ARIF SAIT, S/o Ariff Sait, age 60 years, R/at No. 24, New No. 31, 3rd Main, 9th Cross, Ramaiah Layout, Kammanahalli Main Road, Bangalore-560 084 have lost the original documents of 1) Sale Deed, 2) EC, 3) Possession Certificate, 4) Cancellation Deed, while he was carrying the document in respect of the property bearing Sy. No. 24/2, Site No. GH-61, 16th Block, Arkavathi Layout, Property ID No. 6000040732 for doing xerox on Kammanahalli Main Road, Bangalore. Inspite of his best efforts, he could not trace the same and in this regard on 26-06-2024, my client had lodged online complaint at Police Unit, Bengaluru City, Vide Lost Report No. 1117323/2024. If anybody finds the above said documents or is in possession, please handover the same to the below said address or contact my client on 9902291930.

SHYAM SUNDAR, Advocate
No. 301-A, 3rd Floor, Brigade Majestic, Gandhinagar, Bangalore-560 009

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY G2

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Date: **29.06.2024** **REGISTRAR I/c.**

The man who complained of sexual assault by MLC Dr Suraj Revanna was taken to the farmhouse of the latter at Gannikada in Holenarasipur taluk for a mahazar on Friday. The SIT may also bring Suraj to the farmhouse for a spot inspection, sources said

SIDDU MEETS GADKARI, WANTS PENDING K'TAKA PROJECTS CLEARED

State wants 39 roads measuring 5,225 km notified as NHs, better connectivity to M'luru port

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@ Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah met Union Surface Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari in New Delhi on Friday and requested that his ministry clear the pending projects in Karnataka, including notifying 5,225 km of 39 roads as National Highways. The process of declaring these roads as NHs has been stalled despite getting in-principle approval, the CM said after leading a delegation to Gadkari.

Siddaramaiah urged Gadkari that the 90-km road connecting Mysuru via Mananthavady, HD Kote, and Jayapura to Kalpetta in Kerala, which has already received in-principle approval, be implemented. The CM asked Gadkari to ensure better connectivity to Mangaluru Port by constructing a tunnel between Maranahalli and Addahole in the Shiradi Ghat.

The other proposals submitted to the Centre include upgrading those state highways with vehicular traffic of 10,000 PCU (passenger car unit), a cable car facility at Gokak waterfalls, and many other projects.

Siddaramaiah expressed his gratitude to Gadkari for the approval of the development of the Belagavi-Hunagunda-Raichur highway (NH748A), the Bengaluru-Chennai Expressway, the Surat-Chennai Express Highway, the Bengaluru Suburban Ring Road, and greenfield corridors in Karnataka.

Meanwhile, the CM discussed water projects and matters related to tax devolution at a meeting with the MPs elected from Karnataka.

Speaking to reporters in New Delhi on Friday, Siddaramaiah, who met the state MPs on Thursday, said that he had discussed key drinking water projects like the Mekedatu Balancing Reservoir project, Kalasa-Banduri project, and Upper Bhadra project, as the clearance for these projects by the Centre has been stalled at various levels.

The CM alleged that Karnataka faced a loss in the allocation of funds by the 15th Finance Commission as it was done based on the 2011 census, whereas the commissions in the past considered the 1971 census. He hoped that the state MPs would ensure that the 16th Finance Commission would set right the alleged injustice.

As many as 52 projects worth Rs 659 crore were submitted to the Ministry of Minority Affairs, which includes 32 residential schools, 11 hostels, four day schools, and four skill centres. "Twelve of these projects have been approved but the funds are yet to be released. The remaining 40 projects are still pending," the chief minister said.

During the meeting, they discussed various proposals, including speedy approval of Rs. 15,611 crore for Namma Metro Phase III, a special grant of Rs 11,495 crore, sea plane projects at Malpe, Byandoor, and Mangaluru under the Udaan scheme, Rs 250 crore for Bengaluru for flood relief as recommended by the 15th Finance Commission, and Rs.2,580 crore for the conversion of a 30km road in Shiradi Ghat into a two-lane road.

The meeting also decided to reject the Kasturirangan report on the protection and preservation of the Western Ghats.

CM Siddaramaiah submits a list of the state's demands to Union Surface Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari in New Delhi on Friday. DyCM DK Shivakumar, PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi and Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara look on

K'taka to set up MPs' cell in Delhi to bat for state projects

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah, who held a meeting with the MPs elected from Karnataka, including the five Union Ministers, in New Delhi on Thursday, has chalked out a plan to set up a MPs' cell in the national capital.

The cell with an IAS officer to supervise will come up soon at the Karnataka Bhavan, and the services of the existing staff at the bhavan will be utilised to start with, a senior official told TNIE. An order will be issued soon in this regard, and the cell will help the MPs lobby strongly in favour of the state's projects, the official added. The cell will furnish adequate information with statistics on the projects launched by the Centre and provide a ready reckoner booklet to them to follow up on the projects implemented in the state. Also, there will be updates on the pending projects. The cell will also help in the sanction of several projects, including railway projects, the cost of which will be shared between the Centre and the State Government.

The cell is likely to help the first-time Karnataka MPs get exposure to the functioning of the bureaucracy at the national capital and how to deal with it, added an official. "CM Siddaramaiaiah wants to ensure that the state's pending projects do not get further delayed by the Centre as getting them implemented will make the state's economy robust at a time when it is facing some sort of financial crisis owing to the guarantees," another official told *TNIE*.

Additionally, besides the MPs' Cell, the senior leaders and former ministers TB Jayachandra and Prakash Hukkeri, who are state's special representatives in New Delhi, are also likely to be involved, given their experience.

CHANGE OF GUARD?

Swamijis on CM, DyCM posts: Min sees BJP's hand

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Tumakuru/Bengaluru:

WITH two religious heads — one from the Vokkaliga community and another from the Veerashaiva Lingayat community— raising their voice for the chief minister's post for their respective community leaders, the issue is unlikely to die down, with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's cabinet colleagues wading into the row.

Agriculture Minister N Chaluvarayaswamy on Friday alleged that this could be the BJP instigating religious heads to speak about a change in the CM's post. Religious heads need not express their feelings publicly, he suggested.

"Either the stars of the state are not in our favour or BJP leaders are inciting the swamis. The BJP that won 27 Lok Sabha seats in the 2019 polls could win only 17 seats this time. It is not surprising that BJP leaders are desperate to swing into action. AICC President Mallikarjuna Kharge is from Karnataka, he knows everything and has the power to set things right," he said.

But PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi said he was not surprised as religious heads demanding the CM's post for their leaders is nothing new. "In a democracy, everyone has the right to express their feelings. But the decision on the CM's post should be decided by the party high command and legislators," he quipped. He maintained that all is well within the party.

Amidst this, Cooperation Minister KN Rajanna sparked yet another controversy, replying to Vokkaliga community religious head Chandrashekara Swamiji's offer of 10 acres of land and an ashram if he (Rajanna) was prepared to wear the kaavi (ochre robes) and advice to lead an effortless life, without toil.

"Which swami is he, there are thousands of swamis in the country... The advice given by him is good as he has given guidance to live without sweating it out," he said before the media in Tumakuru.

"Rajanna is a senior leader. I respect him but it is not right for Rajanna to talk lightly about swamiji," warned JDS leader Nikhil Kumaraswamy in Mandya.

Meanwhile, despite oral instructions by Siddaramaiah not to raise the issue of political posts, Rajanna reiterated that there is nothing wrong. "The high command will know only when we ask," he stated.

Prerogative of Congress top brass, say ministers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Belagavi

EVEN as the Congress is under pressure from different community leaders for a change of guard in Karnataka, several ministers in the Siddaramaiah Cabinet are unwilling to endorse the views of the seers and political leaders on the possible change of the CM and increasing the number of DyCMs.

PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi, who also is an aspirant for the CM and DyCM posts, has said the issue is the prerogative of the Congress high command.

Reacting to the demands of the Vokkaliga and Lingayat seers that the Congress should elevate a minister from their respective communities to the post of CM in the state, Satish said the seers may have given such statements in the interest of their communities and that everybody had the right to voice their opinions.

However, it was not possible for the party to change the CM as per the demands of the seers, said Satish, adding that it was only the Congress top brass which always took the final call on all such important issues. He said the Congress state leadership is united.

Meanwhile, Women and Child Development Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar has said the issue of whether to change the CM or to appoint DyCMs was left to the Congress top brass. "All the 136 MLAs of the Congress in Karnataka will abide by the decision to be taken by the high command," she added,

Laxmi said that the Congress gathered the opinions of all its 136 MLAs before making Siddaramaiah the CM. "So, the decision of the party high command is final," she added. When asked whether DyCM DK Shivakumar deserved to be CM at this moment, she said Siddaramaiah was working effectively as the CM and leading the state so well ever since the Congress came to power. Siddaramaiah not only was giving a good administration but also working towards fulfilling all the promises which he made to the people of the state, Laxmi added.

She said Shivakumar also was an able leader who worked relentlessly during the Covid crisis and is delivering effectively as the DyCM. "Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar are like two eyes of the Congress in the state. The Congress government is doing what is expected to do in the state," she added.

Meanwhile, Health Minister Dinesh Gundurao called the statement of the seers on the change of CM as their personal views and said the issue of the change of leadership was an internal matter of the Congress which would be discussed in the party forum. He said there was no need for a public debate on such issues.

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BJP to finalise candidates for bypolls, MLC seat

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THE Karnataka BJP Core Committee will hold a meeting soon to finalise the names of candidates for the three Assembly constituencies of Shiggaon, Channapatna and Sandur, which have fallen vacant after three MLAs were elected as MPs.

State BJP chief BY Vijayendra told reporters on Friday that the party is confident of winning all three seats. Hitting out at DyCM DK Shivakumar, who had stated that no one from his family would be contesting from Channapatna, Vijayendra said it is not important who the Congress candidate is. "All we know is, BJP and JDS will fight and win the seat," he said.

Vijayendra told *TNIE* that the BJP state executive meeting will be held on July 4 or 5 in Bengaluru. On the same day, the core committee meeting will discuss the bypolls, including the three Assembly constituencies represented by HD Kumaraswamy (Channapatna), Basavaraj Bommai (Shiggaon) and E Tukaram (Sandur), along with an MLC seat from Dakshina Kannada (Local Body), represented by Kota Srinivas Poojari.

The party is constituting a committee which will conduct a survey of these four segments to shortlist names of probable candidates. Kumaraswamy will be consulted for Channapatna, but he did not say whether the candidate would be from BJP or JDS.

Vijayendra also said there was no guarantee of how long Siddaramaiah would remain chief minister. "They wanted to finish DK Shivakumar, so they took up the issue of more DCM posts, now there is a demand for a change of CM," he said.

ST Corpn row: BJP stages protests across K'taka, wants CM to resign

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THE BJP staged a protest across Karnataka demanding the resignation of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah over the alleged multi-crore scam in the Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki Scheduled Tribes Development Corporation (KMVSTDC). BJP members, who made an attempt to lay siege to the deputy commissioner's office across the state, were detained.

While state BJP president BY Vijayendra staged a protest in Chitradurga, where he was detained, the Leader of the Opposition in the Assembly R Ashoka led the protest in Kolar. "This is a big scam where money from Karnataka was sent to Telangana for poll expenses. The CM should take moral responsibility and resign. The Stat Government should hand over the case to CBI," senior BJP leader and MLC CT Ravi, who took part in the protest in Bengaluru, told the media at the BJP office.

Ravi said that the BJP does not trust a probe by the State Government. "People involved in the scam are from Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. The Union Bank of India has written demanding a CBI probe... but the State Government is not showing any interest," he said.

He also alleged that the State Government is trying to safeguard former minister B Nagendra, who resigned following the scam. Ravi also said 11 people have been arrested so far, and Rs 14.07 crore has been recovered. "What is the status of the remaining money," he questioned. Money was transferred to over 700 bank accounts, and there is a need for a complete probe, he said, adding that the case should be referred to the CBI.

BJP workers led by state unit chief BY Vijayendra protest in Chitradurga on Friday

ASHOKA: GOVT IS ANTI-PEOPLE

Kolar: The only achievement of the Congress government in Karnataka is hiking fuel prices and other taxes to burden the citizens, LoP R Ashoka has said. While addressing a protest in Kolar, Ashoka said the agitation was against the anti-people government that is not responding to the problems of the people. Ashoka sought the resignation of CM Sidda-ramaiah over the ST Corporation scam. On the hike in milk price, he said, "Who asked the government to increase the quantity of milk in each sachet and increase the price by Rs 2. The State Government has not increased the procurement price for dairy farmers."

Seer: All parties should give Lingayat leaders their due

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THE seer said interesting discussions and debates were under way in the state, about the possible change of chief minister, and appointing more deputy chief ministers, so that all deserving ministers stand a chance to make it to the coveted positions in government. Highlighting the role played by the Lingayat community in Congress' victory in the last Assembly polls, Dr Channasiddarama mentioned that a majority of Veerashaiva Lingayats placed their faith in the party and helped it to power.

He further said, "We want the Congress to give more priority to the Veerashaiva Lingayat community leaders, if the party is planning a change of guard. What we (Lingayats) demand is that some senior Lingayat leaders in the Congress, like MB Patil, Ishwar Khandre, SS Malikarjun, and Dr Shamanur Shivashankrappa, should be given the top positions of CM and DyCM. If the party gives opportunities to such deserving leaders... it will do justice to the Lingayat community."

Dr Channasiddarama added that all political parties in the state should give Lingayat leaders their due and stop neglecting the community.

'Woman's statement reveals heinous offence'

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FORMER Hassan MP Prajwal Revanna is not entitled to relief of regular bail for the reasons that the statement given by the victim of rape under Section 161 of CrPC would indicate that she was subjected to forcible sexual intercourse by him and also the investigation is not yet completed into the allegations which are serious and grave to be viewed seriously, said the Special Court for trial of cases against sitting and former MPs/MLAs.

Stating that the prosecution has made out a strong prima facie case against Prajwal while also contending that there is a chance of flight risk if he is admitted to bail, Judge Santhosh Gajanan Bhat rejected the bail. The order of rejection of bail dated June 26 was available on Friday.

The court recorded the contents of the complaint of the victim lodged with the SIT that she was not a consenting party at the time of the alleged offence while working as a helper at the Basavanagudi residence of former minister HD Revanna and his son Prajwal. When she visited the house at the request of Revanna's wife Bhavani to clean it, Prajwal had ravished her, the court pointed out while extracting the victim's statement. The victim's complaint also contained information about the earlier advances being made by Revanna, who allegedly touched her inappropriately four years after she came in contact with them after Revanna's son Suraj's marriage in 2015. Prajwal also used to make video calls to her daughter and had tried to provoke her by speaking about sexual issues, it said. Though she had thought of resisting sometimes, the other workers advised her not to do that saying a false case would be foisted against her, it said.

The court said the statement of the victim is required to be considered true and correct as in the Indian scenario, normally women will not come forward to state falsely about the ravishing of her chastity. The provision which has been invoked against Prajwal is under Section 376(K) of IPC wherein if a person in a position of control or dominance over a woman, commits rape on such woman, the same would be held punishable and also under Section 66E of IT Act, 2000. Both these aspects would indicate the commission of the heinous offence by him and the alleged act recorded on his mobile phone is to be recovered, the court noted.

Referring to the arguments of Special Public Prosecutor (SPP) B N Jagadeesha, the court said that Prajwal was enjoying high influence and had a social standing with a political clout of his own.

HC REFUSES TO STAY PROBE AGAINST EX-HASSAN BJP MLA PREETHAM

Observing that the dignity and life of women are important, the Karnataka HC on Friday refused to stay the probe against former Hassan BJP MLA Preetham Gowda in a case registered against him under the provisions of the IPC and Information Technology Act for allegedly circulating pen drives containing explicit videos and photos of a victim of sexual assault. The court, however, restrained the SIT from arresting or detaining him unless he doesn't cooperate with the investigation and gave liberty to the investigating agency to recover any material possessed by him if any in need of investigation. Justice Krishna S Dixit passed the interim order after hearing the petition filed by Preetham questioning the legality of the registration of crime registered by a victim with the Cyber Crime Police Station of the Criminal Investigation Department. The court is not convinced to stay the ongoing probe which can be done in a normative way and he can be questioned from 7 am to 9 pm by the SIT, he said. Senior Counsel CV Nagesh appearing for the petitioner argued that there are no ingredients to attract the offences invoked against him and the registration of crime itself is bad in law. It is nothing but political witch-hunting and there is a need to put an end to all this, he argued. The complaint was registered based on the statement of a victim that people are talking about the circulation of pen drives by the petitioner and others but she doesn't say the name of the petitioner directly, he argued. Special Public Prosecutor Prof Ravivarma Kumar argued. "There was an allegation that the pen drives were said to have been circulated by Kiran, Sharath and Preetham Gowda. This act of the petitioner constitutes prima facie offences registered against him and the hands of the investigating agency cannot be tied," he argued. The court observed it is a question of the dignity and life of our women and there are serious offences which require investigation. "No lady will come forward and lie in this kind of offence which directly affects the autonomy and privacy of women. Therefore, the ongoing probe cannot be stalled. Thus, notice be issued to the SIT to file objections," the court said.

At least six people lost their lives and 10 others were injured due to a blast in a glass factory in Ranga Reddy district, Telangana, on Friday. The blast occurred in a furnace in the factory allegedly due to overheating, said an official

TN asks Centre to exempt state from NEET

Amid BJP's opposition and walkout, ally PMK, supported Stalin' resolution in Assembly

PTI @ Chennai

THE Tamil Nadu Assembly on Friday once again passed a unanimous resolution urging the Centre to exempt the state from National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test and allow it to admit students to medical courses based on Plus Two exam marks.

The resolution, adopted by the House amid the BJP's opposition and walkout, called upon the Centre to amend the National Medical Commission Act and abolish the country-wide screening test taking into account the irregularities and increasing opposition to the test in several states, which toed Tamil Nadu's line.

BJP's ally, the PMK, however, supported the resolution piloted by Chief Minister and DMK president M K Stalin, who argued that the test was discriminatory and deprived an opportunity for the rural and poor students to access medical education and denied states their rights to admit students with Plus Two marks as the qualifying criteria.

AIADMK general secretary and former Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami, accused the DMK of having done precious little to abolish NEET, and asked "what is the point in bringing a resolution in the Assembly for the third time?"

"This is just another political drama of the DMK government. People no longer believe in such futile political gimmicks that try to conceal the Kallakurichi illicit liquor deaths," Palaniswami said in a post on the social media platform X.

In the Assembly, BJP leader Nainar Nagendran argued that the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) was required as it had many benefits.

On the argument that the poor and rural students found it difficult to pursue medical education because of the test, he said then Union Health Minister J P Nadda and then Chief Minister Palaniswami ensured 7.5 per cent reservation for state government school students who passed the test.

"NEET is needed. The Assembly resolution against NEET is unacceptable and we are staging a walkout," Nagendran said and walked out along with the BJP legislators.

Ambulance driver, cops in shock over Haveri accident

Injured passengers being treated at Haveri Government Hospital on Friday

KIRAN BALANNANAVAR @ Haveri

IN a major tragedy that hit Haveri district early Friday morning, 13 people died on the spot after the Tempo Traveller in which they were travelling rammed a parked lorry. The incident took place at Gundenahalli village NH48 in Byadagi taluk of Haveri district.

The scene of the incident, the bodies and the injured was such that some police, ambulance, and fire and emergency staff went into a state of shock for sometime. Tousif Pathan, driver of Ambulance 108 of a government hospital received a call from the police asking him to visit the accident spot near Byadagi. "When I reached the spot, we thought it was a small accident. But when we opened the door of the tempo, the scene was horrifying. The injured who were stuck in the vehicle were crying for help. For a moment, my mind went blank. I started pulling out the bodies and the injured passengers. We took six of the injured to the hospital, of whom two died on the way. In my six years of service as an ambulance driver, this is the most horrific accident I have witnessed," he said.

"Our staff, fire and emergency and police personnel had to break open the rear door and dismantle seats to reach out to the injured passengers. The entire vehicle had blood stains and two little girls were still alive when we opened the door. Both of them died in front of their mother who is being treated at a hospital. Many senior officials broke down while shifting the injured and the bodies," Pathan said.

Families to get ex-gratia of Rs 2 lakh each

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TWO of the injured were later shifted to hospitals in Davangere and Shivamogga.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah expressed grief over the accident and announced compensation of Rs 2 lakh each for the families of the deceased. Union Minister Pralhad Joshi, former CM Basavaraj Bommai and district in-charge minister Shivanand Patil expressed condolences to the family.

ADGP Training, Traffic, Road and Safety, Alok Kumar visited the accident spot and held a meeting with senior police officials from the district. Locals submitted a memorandum to Alok Kumar, requesting the authorities to complete construction of a bridge at Motebennur, which has been pending for a long time.

Haveri SP Anshu Kumar said the lorry driver parking the vehicle by the roadside appears to be one reason, while it is also possible that the TT driver was sleepy. According to the injured passengers, Adarsh had been driving continuously for two days. "Two of the injured have been admitted to the ICU and their condition is serious. The driver and cleaner of the lorry were arrested," the officer added.

Adarsh's grief-stricken brother Arun said they had bought the TT for their business only a month ago. "Adarsh invited all our family members, including my mother and father, to offer puja to Goddess Savadatti Yallamma. On Thursday evening, everyone took blessings from the goddess. After reaching Dharwad around midnight, he called and informed that they would be returning, but the accident happened around 4.30am," he said.

Visually impaired football player among victims

Shivamogga: Among the victims of the fatal road accident near Haveri, which claimed 13 lives, was A S Manasa, a 25-year-old player on the Indian women's blind football team. Manasa played for both the Karnataka team and the India team. She was preparing for UPSC civil services exam in Bengaluru. Manasa was the daughter of Sharanappa and Bhagya, residents of Yemmehatti village. The fatal accident also claimed the life of her mother. Manasa's sister, Mahalakshmi, said she was blind from birth. She had studied at Sharada Blind School at Gopala Gowda Badavane in the city and had completed an MSc. "We learned about the accident in the morning. She was preparing for her IAS exam as she dreamt of becoming a DC. Manasa had also undergone eye surgery, and was studying through Braille script."

Siddu meets Shah, seeks Safe City projects for 5 K'taka cities

ENS @ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA CM Siddaramaiah met Union Home Minister Amit Shah at the national capital on Friday evening and urged him to sanction Safe City projects to five cities in Karnataka.

Under Nirbhaya Nidhi, the CM proposed the Safe City project in Mysuru, Hubballi-Dharwad, Belagavi, Mangaluru, and Kalaburagi at Rs 200 crore each.

As the Centre had approved the establishment of the India Reserve Battalion, Siddaramaiah sought the approval of two battalions additionally in Ballari and Karwar. Also, Rs 175 crore is required to purchase 58,546 body cameras. The CM requested Rs 100 crore as financial assistance. Also, he sought Rs 300 crore to rebuild 100 police stations, and assistance for construction of police quarters and modern forensic labs.

Naidu: Jagan's govt wreaked greater havoc on Andhra than bifurcation

PTI @ Amaravati

CHIEF Minister N Chandrababu Naidu on Friday alleged that the state suffered bigger damage under the previous YS Jagan Mohan Reddy-led YSRCP government than the bifurcation of united Andhra Pradesh, citing the case of the Polavaram Project.

He claimed that the project which was completed up to 72 per cent under his regime between 2014 and 2019 had only witnessed four per cent progress in civil works in the last five years under the YSRCP government.

"We all have the anguish that we (state) suffered immensely due to the bifurcation but more than that loss, the devastation caused by Jagan between 2019 and 2024 turned into a curse for the state," said Naidu, releasing a white paper on the Polavaram Project at the Secretariat.

According to the CM, the mega irrigation project can store 194 tmc water, enable the utilisation of 322 tmc water, irrigate 7.2 lakh acres, offer drinking water to 28.5 lakh people and generate 960 MW of hydropower.

Andhra Pradesh CM Nara Chandrababu Naidu gives presentation on Polavaram project at Secretariat on Friday.

Saving about 500 tmc to 700 tmc Godavari river waters draining into the sea using the project and supplementing them with the existing water resources available across the state will obviate the scope for famine, said Naidu.

The CM observed that the earlier TDP regime had spent Rs 11,762 crore and asserted that the YSRCP government had expended only Rs 4,167 crore on the project.

He highlighted that his predecessor had crippled the project mid-way by replacing existing contractors, resulting in cost and time overrun.

Sharing the details of the Polavaram Project Authority (PPA) meeting held on August 13, 2019, Naidu said Reddy had gone ahead disregarding PPA's recommendations not to replace the contractors.

Calling the YSRCP government a "blind political dispensation", Naidu noted that the diaphragm wall which got damaged in the 2020 floods had come to the YSRCP government's notice only after two years. Built at a cost of Rs 436 crore in 2018, the diaphragm wall's repairs will require Rs 447 crore now, he said, adding that a new one will impose a financial burden of Rs 990 crore, among other cost overruns.

Further, he noted that the crucial height of the project has been reduced from 45.72 metres to 41.15 metres.

INVESTMENT PLANS

K'taka govt looking at setting up 2 more EMCs

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TO upgrade the existing ecosystem to attract investments in the Electronics System Design and Manufacturing (ESDM) sector, Karnataka is developing two land parcels, Kochanahalli industrial area in Mysuru district and Kotur-Belur industrial area in Dharwad district for setting up a cluster under the Union government's modified Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC 2.0) scheme.

Karnataka IT/BT Minister Priyank Kharge said that the State Government is looking at setting up two more EMCs in and around Bengaluru. Priyank made a strong appeal to the Centre to fast-track approvals as investors are waiting for the final land allotment.

Ahead of the Union Budget, Priyank met Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and Union IT, Electronics, and I&B Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw and sought approvals for the projects in Karnataka.

Karnataka made a strong pitch for establishing a dedicated Central Business District in the state, which will be modelled on the lines of Gujarat's GIFT City in Ahmedabad.

Priyank highlighted that Karnataka is well-positioned to replicate a similar business hub.

He sought funding support from the Union Government that could be channelised towards galvanising infrastructure upgrades, developing industry-specific skilling programmes and bridging the gap between skill requirements.

IISc finds way to turn fatty acids into biofuels

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

RESEARCHERS at the IISc have developed a special enzyme system that turns inexpensive fatty acids into valuable biofuels called 1-alkenes, hydrocarbons. These 1-alkenes can be blended with existing fuels, making them a promising sustainable option.

According to scientists, hydrocarbons have potential as 'drop-in' biofuels, which can be blended and used with existing fuels and infrastructure. These can potentially be synthesised on a large scale using microorganism factories. Hydrocarbons are also widely used in polymer, detergent and lubricant industries.

In an earlier study, the IISc team purified and characterised an enzyme called UndB, bound to the membranes of living cells, especially certain bacteria. It can convert fatty acids to 1-alkenes at the fastest rate currently possible. However, the researchers found that the process was not very efficient – the enzyme would become inactivated after just a few cycles. When they investigated further, they realised that H_2O_2 – a byproduct of the reaction process – was inhibiting UndB.

The team then added another enzyme called catalase to the reaction mix. "The catalase degrades the H2O2 that is produced. Which enhanced the activity of the enzyme 19-fold, from 14 to 265 turnovers (turnover indicates the number of active cycles an enzyme completes before getting inactivated)," explained Tabish Iqbal, first author of the study and PhD student at the Department of Inorganic and Physical Chemistry.

"The team decided to create an artificial fusion protein combining UndB with catalase, by introducing a fused genetic code via carriers called plasmids into E. coli bacteria. Given the right conditions, these E. coli would then act as a 'whole cell biocatalyst', converting fatty acids and churning out alkenes," read an IISc release.

A key advantage of this biocatalyst is that UndB is very specific and does not produce any unwanted side products – pure 1-alkene is the only product which can directly be used as biofuels, said Debasis Das, Assistant Professor at IPC and corresponding author.

The team has applied for a patent for their engineered protein and whole-cell biocatalyst. They are also looking for industry collaborators to scale up the platform for mass production. "Our platform can be efficiently used to generate a large number of 1-alkenes, valuable in biotechnology and polymer industries," said Das.

EXPRESS READ

ED attaches CPM office land, 8 accounts in laundering case

Kochi: The CPM has landed in more trouble in the Karuvannur Service Cooperative Bank money laundering case with the ED on Friday temporarily attaching the party's Porathissery office land and CPM's eight bank accounts in Thrissur district. ED had turned CPM as a key accused in the Karuvannur after a probe revealed that money involved in the scam was diverted to party bank accounts. The total value of attached properties including the party office land and bank accounts is worth Rs 29 crore.

12-yr-old infected by brain eating amoeba; 3rd in Kerala

Kozhikode: A 12-year-old boy has been afflicted by amoebic meningoencephalitis, a rare brain infection caused by a free-living amoeba found in contaminated waters, in Kozhikode district of Kerala, according to sources in the private hospital where he is being treated. This is the third case of a near fatal infection reported from the southern state since May. The first one was of a five-year-old girl from Malappuram who died on May 21 and the second of a 13-year-old girl from Kannur who died on June 25.

Student stabs classmate in Odisha school

Berhampur: A Class IX student of Raghunath High School in Pattapur of Ganjam district was allegedly stabbed with a knife by his classmate during school hours here on Friday. He was stabbed on the right side of his chest, and was immediately rushed to Sheragada community health centre. After first-aid, he shifted to MKCG MCH, and his condition is said to be stable. Police have detained the juvenile offender for interrogation, and the reason for the attack is yet to be determined.

Sangreshi is new K'taka Election Commissioner

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka state government on Friday appointed Principal Secretary, Law, GS Sangreshi as State Election Commissioner on Friday.

It may be recalled that the government had previously passed an order naming Sangreshi, a former District Judge, as chairman of the State Permanent Backward Classes Commission, but within a short time withdrew the order and instead posted Sangreshi as Karnataka Election Commissioner for a period of five years.

All the orders were passed on the same day.

The State Election Commission is in charge of holding the ZP-TP polls and BBMP polls, which are long overdue, and the government is under pressure to hold elections, especially from courts.

It may be recalled that the previous government did not hold elections for over two-and-half years, and this government has not held elections either.

Dr BR Mamatha, Inspector General of Registration and Commissioner of Stamps, was felicitated on Thursday. Chairman of the Sixth Pay Commission of Karnataka, MR Srinivas Murthy, former Joint Director Information, HB Dinesh, Chairman of Gandhi Peace Foundation, Wooday P Krishna, and others look on

Herds of blackbucks raid agricultural fields in Dharwad dist

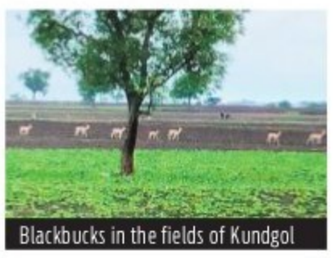
SUBHASH CHANDRA N S @ Hubballi

HERDS of blackbucks have been spotted on the outskirts of Hubballi in Kundgol posing a threat to crops. The farmers say the Forest Department is restricting itself to compensating them, which the villagers say is insufficient and not worth the value of loss incurred.

Every morning, villagers in and around Kundgol are forced to visit their farms to drive away the blackbucks grazing their fields.

The issue which was limited to Haveri and Gadag region has now entered Hubballi where a herd numbering at least 50 are feasting here. "It has been a year now, we are seeing them in the fields. They eat whatever we cultivate here. They can be seen in large numbers in Haveri and Gadag and even on Navalgund roads. At the sight of any human being, they run away only to return the next morning," said Basavraj Yogappanavar, a farmer here.

The antelopes are sighted in farms in Gudenkatti, Aeri Narayanapura, Mullalli, Benakanahalli, Yerguppi, Nagarahalli, Nerthi and other villages. The farmers here cultivate green gram, soya bean, groundnut, cow pea, corn, vegetables and other crops. These blackbucks come in large herds and do not even spare the newly planted and sprouting crop. We have brought this to the notice of the Forest Department, but there has been no effort to stop them," said a farmer Raju M Malligouda. We had a bad year in 2023 due to drought. We were hoping to recover our losses this year and even borrowed crop loans to cultivate, but the loss is inevitable now," he said.



Blackbucks in the fields of Kundgol

Another farmer Sakrappa V Kammar said that since the officials are not doing much, the farmers themselves are trying to scare away the crop-raiding ungulates. "We have put up scarecrows everywhere and are using empty beer cans and bottles to make noise and drive them away, but they have proved to be temporary measures," he said.

Yogappanavar said that, frustrated with the inactive forest department, the farmers of these villages managed to meet Chief Minister Siddaramaiah during his visit to Hubballi and requested him to do something. "He asked the Forest Department officials to look into the matter. As a follow-up, the officials even visited the villages and inspected the agriculture fields.

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ಹಾಸನ ಹಾಲು ಒಕ್ಕೂಟದ ಅನುಪಯುಕ್ತ ವಸ್ತುಗಳನ್ನು ಮೇಲಿನ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್-ಕಂ-ಹರಾಜು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ರೀತ್ಯಾ ದಿನಾಂಕ **10/07/2024** ರಂದು ಮಂಗಳವಾರ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಯಿಂದ **M/S MSTC Ltd** ರವರ **website** ಮುಖೇನ ಇ ಟೆಂಡರ್-ಕಂ-ಹರಾಜು ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯು ನಡೆಯಲಿದ್ದು, ಅನುಪಯುಕ್ತ ವಸ್ತುಗಳಾದ **ಪ್ಲಾಸ್ಟಿಕ್ ಕ್ರೇಟ್ ಪೌಚ್ ಫಿಲಂ (ಹಾಸನ, ಕೂಡಿಗೆ ದೇರಿ), plastic carbai's, plastic gunny bags plastic empty barrel** ವಸ್ತುಗಳನ್ನು ಎಲ್ಲಿವಿಯೋ ಹೇಗಿವೆಯೋ ಹಾಗೆ ಎತ್ತುವಳಿ ಮಾಡಬೇಕಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳವರು ಸದರಿ **M/S MSTC Ltd** ರವರ ಮುಖೇನ ಬಾಗವಹಿಸಲು ಕೋರಿದೆ.

ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ವಿಳಾಸವನ್ನು ಅಥವಾ ದೂರವಾಣಿಯನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.
ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಪರವಾಗಿ: **landline (08172-295236/ 240631)**
MSTC ರವರ ಪರವಾಗಿ: **8073770915**

MSTC LIMITED
(A Govt. of India Enterprise)
19/5 & 19/6, 3rd floor, Kareem Tower, Cunningham Road, Bangalore 560 052
Phone: 22260054, Web site: www.mstcindia.co.in , www.mstcecommerce.com
E-AUCTION SALE
MSTC/BLR/Hassan co operative milk producers societies union ltd/3/ Dairy circle /24-25/13679 [443981]

ಹಾಸನ ಸಹಕಾರಿ ಹಾಲು ಒಕ್ಕೂಟದ ಪರವಾಗಿ. ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE ADDITIONAL SUBORDINATE JUDGE OF KARUR
MCOP No. 213 of 2022

Karuppaiya --- Petitioner
-Vs-
Salaimaragathan, S/o. Subramanian,
No. 10/15, Kathalipalya,
6th Block, 17th Main Koramangala,
Bangalore - 560 034. ---1st Respondent

Notice to the 1st Respondent

The petitioner had filed a petition in the captioned case against you and the 2nd respondent for claiming compensation for the injured Sustained to him in a road accident. The abovesaid case is stands posted on **12-07-2024** before the Hon'ble Additional Subordinate Court at Karur, State of Tamilnadu. Therefore, you are hereby called upon to appear either in person or through an advocate before the aforesaid Hon'ble court on **12-07-2024 at 10:30 am** and give your objection if any. Failing which the matter will be decided in your absence are notified that an exparte order will be passed against you.

K.SURESH, B.B.M., B.L.,
Advocate for Petitioner

LOST

Hand bag lost on 30-05-2024 during 01.53 Pm riding on a two wheeler travelling on the way Yelahank to Bangalore City. Bag containing Original Copies of Will and other Original Documents. Police Complaint lodged as loss of Documents on 30-05-2024 by No.1076681/2024. If anyone finds it, please return to Complainant Puttaiah on Contact No. 9945407113 or at nearest Police station.

PUBLIC NOTICE/ GENERAL NOTICE

This is to notify that, **Mrs. Suchithra P Reddy** aged 38 resided at #654/1C. Muniswamappa Road, R.S.playa, Maruthiseva Nagar (PO) Bangalore-33 and **Mr.Raghu Rajagopal Reddy** aged 45 resided at #6 1st Cross Grape garden, 3rd Block, Tyagarajanagar Bangalore-28, are intended to take the legal guardianship for the purpose of residential care, movable and immovable property of our maternal uncle Mr. Srinivasa Reddy aged 65 years, who has intellectual disability. If anyone has objection on the above proposal, please contact on the below given numbers.

Suchithra P Reddy
9886453666
Raghu Rajgopal Reddy
8971019795

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited

(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through KPP Portal Only)

No.: SEE/T(W&M)/MYS/EEE(O)/AE-1/24-25/1211-13 **Dated: 28.06.2024**

KPTCL invites bids vide the below mentioned bid Enquiry Numbers on **Total Turnkey Basis.**

1. Bid Enquiry No.: **KPTCL/SEE/TWM/Mys/GCB/609/ Call-4, Date: 26.06.2024.** Replacement of Obsolete 2 Nos. of 66kV class AREVA Make breakers of Transformer 1 & 2 at 66/11kV Madikeri Sub-station, TL& SS Division, Hootagally, Mysuru.

2. Bid Enquiry No.: **KPTCL/SEE/TWM/Mys/R&M/154, Date: 26.06.2024.** Overhauling of APEX Make 12.5MVA cooled Transformer at 66/11kV MUSS Vijayanagara Hootagally and Overhauling of NGEF make 12.5 MVA Power Transfomer-1 at 66/11 kV KHB Sub-station.

The details regarding participation in the e-tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink **'E Procurement KPTCL'** or **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **01.07.2024**. Any other details can be had from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, Elecl., Transmission(W&M)Circle, KPTCL, 1st Floor, 'Prasarana Bhavana', N.R.Mohalla, Mysuru - 570 007.

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY e-Tender Notice

Tender No : Re-E-Tender No 13/2024-25/SE/PHC/CHN

Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)-CWSS to Puthencruz, Thiruvaniyoor, Poothrikka and Chottanikkara Panchayaths- LSGD road restoration for Thiruvaniyoor Panchayath- General Civil Work. EMD : Rs. 200000, Tender fee : Rs. 13010, Last Date for submitting Tender : 15-07-2024 03:00:pm, Phone : 0484-2360645,

Website : www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in

KWA-JB-GL-6-134-2024-25 Superintending Engineer, PH Circle, Kochi

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STATE BANK OF INDIA

Authorised Officer's Details: **Name : Sri Nagaraja Vaddigeri** **E-mail ID: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in** **Mobile No: 9448441455** **Landline No. (office) : 080-25943663**	**Address of the Branch :** **STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH** **# 11/90, 3rd Floor, Opp: Trust Well Hospital, J C Road, Bangalore - 560002. Ph: 080-2594 3663, Fax : 080-25943664** **Email Id: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in**

APENDIX IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice For Sale Of Immovable Asset Under The Securitisation And Reconsruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 Read With Proviso Rule 8 (6) Of The Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the Public in general and the Borrower/Mortgager in particular that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS"** and **"WHATEVER THERE IS"** basis on **07.08.2024** for recovery of **Rs. 3,23,77,660/-** (Rupees Three Crore Twenty Three Lakh Seventy Seven Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Only) as on 17.06.2024 and interest from 18.06.2024 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc., due to the State Bank of India, Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bengaluru from **Borrowers : (1) M/s. Neema Overseas, (2) Sri Veeresh S/o. Late Neelakantappa Kori, (3) Smt.Vinutha .N** D/o. Late Neelakantappa Kori and **(4) Smt. Madhuri** D/o. Late Neelakantappa Kori.

The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit and Bid Increment Amount will be as under :-

Sl. No.	Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit	Bid increment Amount
1.	**Rs. 5,98,00,000/-**	**Rs. 59,80,000/-**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**

Description of the Property : Tender No: SARB/2024-25/AUCTION/CM-3/25 (Property - Title deed holder: Neelakantappa S/o Channabasappa Kori) All that piece and parcel of Residential Corner Site bearing No.1717, situated at 14th Main Road, formed by Bangalore Development Authority in Banashankari II Stage, Bangalore, Corporation Ward No. 56 measuring East to West 18 mtrs and North to South 16+8 /2 mtrs. In total 306.sq. mtrs, with a Residential Building having Ground, First and Second floors with built up area of about 2400 sq. ft. 2250 sq. ft. and 450 sq. ft. respectively standing in the name of Neelakantappa S/o Channabasappa Kori and the same is **bounded on : East by :** Road, **West by :** Site No. 1716, **North by :** Site No.1718, **South by :** Road. (The Borrower is Staying in the Residential House)

The sale shall be subject to provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
For further details regarding inspection of the property the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, #11/90, 3rd Floor, Opposite Trust Well Hospital, J. C. Road, Bengaluru,– 560002 during office hours Telephone : 080 25943663 or Bank's approved Resolution Agent, **Sri Devi Resolutions Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore Representatives: Sri. Jagadeesh, Cell No. 99024 01486.**
To the best of knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on any of the above said properties. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp.

Date: 19.06.2024 **Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **State Bank of India, Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bangalore**

"INDO-TIBETAN BORDER POLICE FORCE"
(MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS)
GOVT. OF INDIA

RECRUITMENT FOR THE POST OF HEAD CONSTABLE (EDUCATION & STRESS COUNSELOR)-2024

Indo-Tibetan Border Police Force invites online applications from eligible Male & Female Indian citizens (including subject of Nepal & Bhutan) to fill up vacancies of **Head Constable (Education & Stress Counselor), General Central Service, Group 'C' Non-Gazetted (Non-Ministerial)** on temporary basis likely to be permanent in ITBPF in Pay Scale, Level- 4 in the Pay Matrix Rs. 25,500-81,100/- (as per 7th CPC). Selected candidates will be liable to serve anywhere in India or abroad. The applicants are advised to check their eligibility before applying so as to avoid disappointment at a later stage.

2. Details of vacancies as per post based roster are as under:-

Name of Post	Total vacancies	Particulars	Category					Total
			UR	SC	ST	OBC	EWS	
Head Constable (Education & Stress Counselor)	112	Male	37	15	7	24	13	96
		Female	6	3	1	4	2	16

Note:-

a) The vacancies are tentative and may increase or decrease without any notice. Any change in the number of vacancies will be intimated through ITBPF Recruitment website i.e. **https://recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in**.

b) ITBPF reserves the right to make changes in sequence of the recruitment process after publication of this advertisement. ITBPF also reserves the right to cancel or postpone the recruitment at any stage due to administrative reasons.

c) 10% of the vacancies are reserved for Ex-Servicemen in the respective Post/Category.

d) Application Fee: Rs. 100/- (Rupees one hundred only). Fee are exempted for females, Ex-servicemen and candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) categories.

3. **ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS:**

a) **Educational Qualifications & Age Limit:**

Age limit:-
Between 20 to 25 years.
(Upper age limit is relaxable for SC, ST, OBC and Ex-Servicemen categories in accordance with the Government rules from time to time). The crucial date for determining the age limit shall be the closing date of receipt of online application, i.e. **5th August, 2024 (05/08/2024).**

Educational and other Qualification :-
Degree from a recognized University or equivalent with Psychology as a subject
or:
Degree from a recognized University with Bachelor of Education or Bachelor of Teaching or equivalent.

4. Applications from candidates will be accepted only through ONLINE MODE on **https://recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in**. No offline application will be accepted. For detailed information about age relaxation, eligibility conditions, procedure of filling online application form, recruitment procedure, tests and pay & allowances etc., **the applicants are advised to go through the detailed advertisement appearing on the ITBPF recruitment website i.e. https://recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in**. Any further information/ notification in respect to this recruitment will be made on the ITBPF recruitment website only. Hence, applicants are advised to login the ITBPF recruitment website from time to time and also advised to go through eligibility criteria carefully before applying to avoid disappointment at later stage.

5. The candidates whose applications are found in order, shall be issued admit cards (online) to appear in recruitment tests. Candidates have to download online admit card from ITBPF recruitment website i.e. **https://recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in**. Therefore, candidates should provide genuine and functional e-mail ID and mobile number at the time of filling online application form. ITBPF will not be responsible in case of non receipt of admit card due to technical and other reasons.

6. The selection process will consist of Physical Efficiency Test (PET), Physical Standard Test (PST), verification of documents, Written Examination and Detailed Medical Examination (DME)/ Review Medical Examination (RME).

7. Medical Examination to assess the fitness of candidates will be conducted in terms of Uniforms Guidelines for Recruitment Medical Examination for GOs and NGOs in CAPFs and ARs issued vide MHA U.O. No. A.VI-1/2014-Rectt (SSB) dated 20.05.2015 and A.VI.I/14-Rectt(SSB) dated 24.08.2015 and as amended from time to time by the Government.

ONLINE APPLICATION MODE WILL BE OPENED W.E.F. 7th July, 2024 (07/07/2024) AT 00:01 AM AND WILL BE CLOSED ON 5th August, 2024 (05/08/2024) AT 11:59 PM.

Sd/-
DIG (RECRUITMENT)

CBC 19143/11/0006/2425

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Home Finance **Registered office:** ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai- 400051
Corporate Office: ICICI HFC Tower, JB Nagar, Andheri Kurla Road, Andheri East, Mumbai- 400059
Branch Address: Plot no. 510, F Block, 3rd Floor, Sahakar Nagar, Bangalore- 560092
Branch Address: Bangalore - Mahalaxmipuram- B Branch

The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from ICICI Home Finance Company Limited ("ICICI HFC") and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset/ Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Dayanand P (Borrower), Jayasheela V (Co- Borrower), 23 Gkvk Layout Shivanahalli Jakkur Road Yelahanka Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka- 560064. LHBSN00001485566	All That Piece and Parcel of Property Bearing Site No.37 E- Khatha No: 150300302200220883, Property No.1217/428/1/37, Karenahalli Village, Aralumallige Grama Panchayath Kasaba Hobli Bangalore Karnataka- 561203. Bounded By- North: Site No.36, South: Site No.38, East: Road, West: Site No.49.	18-06-2024 Rs. 29,64,932.38/-	08/06/ 2024
2.	Ashok T A (Borrower), Ashwanthappa (Co-Borrower), No. 81, Thogarighatta Doddballapura Bangalore Karnataka- 561203. LHBSN00001532486	All That Piece And Parcel Of Property Bearing Site No. 45 Emeasuring 900 Square Feet, Khaneshkumari Khatha Serial No. 45 Thogari Gatta Villags Koanakunte Doddaballapura Taluk Na Bangalore Rural Karnataka- 561205. Bounded By- North: Ashwathamma Property, South: Balamma Property, East: Road, West: Nagaratnamma Property.	18-06-2024 Rs. 78,371.68/-	03/06/ 2024
3.	Ashok T A (Borrower), Ashwanthappa (Co-Borrower), No. 81, Thogarighatta Doddballapura Bangalore Karnataka- 561203. LHBSN00001532687	All That Piece and Parcel of Property Bearing Site No :45 Emeasuring 900 Square Feet, Khaneshkumari Khatha Serial No. 45 Thogari Gatta Villags Koanakunte Doddaballapura Taluk Na Bangalore Rural Karnataka- 561205. Bounded By- North: Ashwathamma Property, South: Balamma Property, East: Road, West: Nagaratnamma Property.	18-06-2024 Rs 20,02,170.12/-	03/06/ 2024
4.	Saroj (Borrower), Ramesh Kumar (Co-Borrower), No. 171 3rd Floor 7th Cross 4th Main Road, Near HDFC Atm Chamarajapet Karnataka Bangalore Karnataka- 560018. LHNXN00001494522	Flat No:409,4th Floor, Measuring 1262 Sq Feet Super Builtup Area Site No. 602 in "JJ Elita" With Undivided Share of 400sq Feet With One Car Parking Nyanapannahalli Village Begur Hobi Bangalore Sy No. 44 1 and 44 2 and 44 3 and 44 4etc Bangalore Karnataka- 560068. Bounded By- North: Private Property; South: Nyanppanhalli-hulimavu Road., East: Nyanppanalli Main Road; West: Private Property;.	18-06-2024 Rs. 61,34,060/-	08/06/ 2024
5.	Saroj (Borrower), Ramesh Kumar (Co-Borrower), No. 171 3rd Floor 7th Cross 4th Main Road, Near HDFC Atm Chamarajapet Karnataka Bangalore Karnataka- 560018. LHNXN00001494525	Flat No. 409,4th Floor, Measuring 1262 Sq Feet Super Builtup Area Site No:602 in "JJ Elita" With Undivided Share of 400sq Feet With One Car Parking Nyanapannahalli Village Begur Hobi Bangalore Sy No. 44 1 and 44 2 and 44 3 And 44 4etc Bangalore Karnataka- 560068. Bounded By- North: Private Property; South: Nyanppanhalli-hulimavu Road. East: Nyanppanalli Main Road; West: Private Property;.	18-06-2024 Rs. 2,13,272.96/-	08/06/ 2024

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date : June 29, 2024 **Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore, Bangalore Rural **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited**

Government of Karnataka

Shivamogga Institute of Medical Sciences
An Autonomous Institute of Medical Sciences
Sagar Road, Shivamogga - 577 201

Ph: 08182 269700/ 269701, Fax: 08182 264100, https: //sims.karnataka.gov.in

E-procurement Tender Notification

No:SIMS/Store/Tender/Notification/7/2024-25 **Date: 25.06.2024**

Online Tenders have been invited in two-cover system for procurement of various materials and services pertaining to Shivamogga Institute of Medical Sciences, Shivamogga.

Sl NO	Tender No. & Date	Name of the Item	Publish, Duration, End, Date and time.
1	SIMS/PRCU TNDR/40/1423087/ 2024-25- PSTR-SIMS-SMG Dated 25/06/2024	e-Tender for the supply of Chemical & Reagents Items to Dialysis Dept, SIMS Teaching Mc-gann, Hospital Shivamogga.	From: 15-07-2024 to 31-07-2024 at 5.00 PM.
2	SIMS/PRCU/TNDR/41/1423158/ 2024-25-PSTR-SIMS-SMGSIMS Dated 25/06/2024	supply of Stationary & Printing Items to SIMS Teaching Mc-gann, Hospital Shivamogga.	From: 02-07-2024 to 17-07-2024 at 5.00 PM.
3	SIMS/Supply/ETender/Journals /626/2023-26 Dated 25/06/2024	Procurement of Journals Items to Library at SIMS Shimoga	From: 28-06-2024 to 12-07-2024 at 5.00 PM
4	SIMS/EST-2/39/College Lab Chemical & Reagents/2024-25 Dated 25/06/2024	e-Tender for the supply of College Lab Chemicals & Reagents, to SIMS Shivamogga.	From: 02-07-2024 to 17-07-2024 at 5.00PM.
5	SIMS/EST-2/43/STP/ETP Maintenance/TNDR/2024-25 Dated 25/06/2024	e-Tender for the Maintenance of 300 KLD STP/ETP Using Recycled Water in front of SIMS Garden & Teaching Mcgann Hospital Shivamogga.	From: 01-07-2024 to 17-07-2024 at 5.00PM.
6	SIMS/EST-7/Tender/CVL/1/2024-MCW-SIMS Dated 25/06/2024	Purchase of Cardiology Consumables to Dept of Cardiology at SIMS Teaching Hospital Shivamogga	From: 01-07-2024 to 15-07-2024 at 5.00 PM
7	SIMS/UC/Tender/Radiology /1/2024-SIMS Dated 25/06/2024	Tender for Providing service Teleporting of CT, MRI scans to Dept of Radiology at SIMS Teaching Hospital Shivamogga	From: 15-07-2024 to 30-07-2024 at 5.00 PM
8	SIMS/PRCU/TNDR/43/2023-PSTR-SIMS-SMG-2023-24 Date 25-06-2024	Providing Catering Services (Diet Prepared Food) to In Patient of Mc-gann teaching Hospital at SIMS, Shivamogga	From: 04-07-2024 to 05-08-2024 up to 5.00 PM
9	SIMS/ACC/MIS/2/2024-ACCT1-SIMS-SMG Date 25-06-2024	Purchase of Microscopes to SIMS Shivamogga	From: 10-07-2024 to 25-07-2024 at 5.00 PM
10	SIMS/EST/OSSB/3/2024-EST1-SIMS-SMG	Providing Manpower Services to Super Speciality Hospital, SIMS, Shimoga	From: 04-07-2024 to 19-07-2024 at 5.00 PM
11	SIMS/AB-ArK/Re-Tender/Equipment/ ST-04/2024-25	Re-Tender for Supply of Equipments to Various Department of SIMS, Shimoga	From: 10-07-2024 to 24-07-2024 at 5.00 PM
12	SIMS/AB-ArK/ /Equipment/ ST-05/2024-25	Procurement of Equipments to Various Department of SIMS, Shimoga	From: 10-07-2024 to 24-07-2024 at 5.00 PM
13	SIMS/EST-7/Security Service/ST-06/2024-25	Inviting Tender for procurement of Security Services on Service Contract Basis	From: 11-07-2024 to 12-08-2024 at 5.00 PM
14	SIMS/EST-7/Housekeeping Service/ST-06/2024-25	Inviting Tender for procurement of Housekeeping Services on Service Contract Basis	From: 11-07-2024 to 12-08-2024 at 5.00 PM

Bid documents shall be downloaded from website: http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. The date of opening of tender will be intimated in tender book. The tender receiving authority has a right to accept/ reject/cancel the tender without assigning any reasons.

Sd/- Director/Dean
Shivamogga Institute of Medical Sciences, Shivamogga.

DIPR/SMG/No.126-06 zenkar/2024-25

इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank — STRESSED ASSETS MANAGEMENT BRANCH

No 10, 1st Floor, Indian Bank Buildings K G Road, Bengaluru 560009

APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)] Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Properties

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged / charged to the Secured Creditors, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officers of Indian Bank, the Secured Creditors, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **18-07-2024** for recovery of **Rs. 84,90,034.00/- (Rupees Eighty-Four Lakh Ninety Thousand Thirty-Four only)** as on 31-05-2024 and charges and expenses due to Indian Bank, SAM Branch, Secured Creditor, with further interest and charges due to, secured creditor, from: 1. Shantala S G, w/o P Manjunath (Borrower & Mortgagor) , No. 64, 8th Cross Vijaya Bank Colony, Krishna Devasandra, K R Puram, Bangalore 560036., 2. P Manjunath, S/o Berappa (Borrower), No. 64, 8th Cross Vijaya Bank Colony, Krishna Devasandra, K R Puram, Bangalore 560036., 3.Mr S Gudegowda, S/o Sonnegowda (Guarantor) , No 13. 17th Cross, Gayathri Layout, Basavanapura, Bangalore - 560049 .The specific details of the properties intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:

All that piece and parcel of eastern portion of the property house list no. 22, Khatha No. 22/34 formed out of property no. 34 in the layout known as Whitecity Project BBMP Khata no. 22/34 in ward no. 53, New PID no. 053-W0258-52 situated at Seegehalli, measuring East to West 19 feet and North to South 37 feet, totally measuring 703 sq.ft. along with vacant space measuring 719 sq.ft. in all measuring 1410 sq.ft. **Boundaries:** North By : 30 ft road, South By : Part of plot nos. 25 and 26, East By : Private Property, West By : Remaining Western portion of plot no. 22	
Encumbrances on property	NIL
Reserve Price	Rs 63,00,000/-
EMD Amount	Rs 6,30,000/-
Bid incremental amount	Rs 25,000/-
Date and time of e-auction	18-07-2024 11.00 AM TO 4.00 PM
Property ID No.	IDIB30188184841

Bidders are advised to visit the website (**www.mstcecommerce.com/auction/home/ibapi**) of our e auction service provider MSTC Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call MSTC HELPDESK No. 033-23400020/23400021/23400022 and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with MSTC Ltd, please contact ibapiop@mstcecommerce.com and for EMD status please contact ibapifin@mstcecommerce.com.
For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit: **https://ibapi.in** and for clarifications related to this portal, please contact help line number '18001025026' and '011-41106131'.
Bidders are advised to use Property ID Numbers as mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with **https://ibapi.in** and **www.mstcecommerce.com**.

Date: 27-06-2024 **Sd/-Authorised Officer,**
Place: Bangalore **Indian Bank**

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Contact Person: 1. Shri Karthik Reddy C – Authorised Officer -7259664202
2. Shri Balananda Kumar – Manager - 8610004124

STATE BANK OF INDIA

RETAIL ASSETS CENTRAL PROCESSING CENTER, Shankarapuram (64063)
NO. 13/1, 3rd Floor, BULL TEMPLE ROAD, OPP. SRI RAMA KRISHNA MUTT, BASAVANAGUDI, Bengaluru -560 004, Tel: 9448944414,
Email : sbi.64063@sbi.co.in

Possession Notice Under Rule 8(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the authorised officer of **State Bank of India** under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (No. 3 of 2002) issued Demand notice calling upon the following borrowers/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in their demand notice with further interest/cost etc within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. Details of Demand Notices such as date of issue and loan outstanding amount are mentioned against each borrower hereunder.

File No: SARFAESI 13(4)-1/2024-25, A/c No. : 64098472087/64098473091

1) Name of the Borrower/Mortgager/Guarnotor : 1. Mrs. Vimalamma S (Deceased) W/o. Late T V Keshava Murthy (Borrower) Legal Heirs of **Borrower : 1. Mr. Theja Raj K** S/o. Late T V Keshava Murthy **(Co- Borrower) 2. Shiva Raj K** S/o. Late T V Keshava Murthy, **both are residing at :** No. 40/1/1/4, Behind Country Club, Pavan Colony, Weavers Colony, Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru - 560083 and also at House List No. 1251/783/33, Old Khata No. 106, Old Property No. 212, 2nd Cross, Weavers Colony, Gottigere village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru - 560083.
Demand Notice Date : 15.04.2024
Loan outstanding amount as per demand notice : 9,18,434/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Eighteen Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Four only) as on 15.04.2024 and future interest & expenses thereon
Possession Taken on : 27.06.2024
Present Loan outstanding amount : Rs. 9,54,828/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Fifty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Eight only) as on 24.06.2024 and further interest from 25.06.2024 plus, costs etc thereon.
Description of the Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of residential property consisting of Site bearing BBMP municipal No. 1251/783/33, Old Khata No. 106, Old Site No. 212, situated at 2nd Cross, Weavers Colony, Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluq measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 15 feet totally measuring 600 sft and **bounded by : East :** Site No. 205, **West :** Road, **North :** Remaining portion of Property, **South :** Road.

File No: SARFAESI 13(4)-1/2024-25, A/c No. : 64192283707

2) Name of the Borrower/Mortgager/Guarnotor : Sri. Bhupdan S/o. Sri. Vagatdan Ji Charan, **residing at :** J-11, 2nd Floor, 3rd Cross Left Side, Magadi Road, Bangalore-560023 and **also at** Flat No. 101, Ground Floor, VANDHANA SS LAKE VIEW, Kodichikkanahalli, Begur, Bangalore-560 068.
Demand Notice Date : 15.04.2024
Loan outstanding amount as per demand notice : 55,49,970/- (Rupees Fifty Five Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy only) as on 15.04.2024 and future interest & expenses thereon
Possession Taken on : 27.06.2024
Present Loan outstanding amount : Rs. 56,35,776/- (Rupees Fifty Six Lakh Thirty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Six only) as on 24.06.2024 and further interest from 25.06.2024 plus, costs etc thereon.
Description of the Immovable Property : Schedule "A" : All that piece and parcel of the Residentially Converted Land bearing Sy. No. 24, measuring to an extend of 15 guntas, situated at Kodichikkanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, (Converted vide Official Memorandum No. BDis. ALN:SR (S): 584/2004-05, dated 08.02.2005), BBMP Khata No. 1474/26/1.24, and **bounded on the : East by :** Property belongs to Rama Murthy, Purchased form A. Chellaram, **West by :** Property belongs to Venkatappa and Brothers, **North by :** Narayana Reddy Compound, **South by :** Property belongs to Jabbar Khan and 30 feet Road.
Schedule "B" Property : 293 sq.feet undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule A Property.
Schedule "C" : Residential Apartment / Flat bearing No. 101 on the Ground Floor of the Apartment Building known as "VANDHANA SS LAKE VIEW" situated at Kodichikkanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, having a super built up area of 1028 sft (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in all common areas) together with one covered car parking space in the basement. Super built up area: 1028 sq. ft. including proportionate share of common area with the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments jointly belonging to such apartment owners equally.
Accommodation: Consisting of 2 Bedrooms, 2 toilets, 1 kitchen, Hall, Balconies, inclusive proportionate area of common facilities like staircases, Corridors etc.., Car Parking : One Car Parking space in the Basement floor.
SPECIFICATIONS: (a) Structure : RCC framework structure. (b) Frame : Superstructure External: 6" Solid, Internal: 4" Solid Cement Block. (c) Plastering : External double coat sponge finish & Internal single coat Lime rendering. (d) Door : Front Door of teak frame with TST Shutter, all other Doors of Sal Wood frame with flush hutter. (e) Windows : 2 track Aluminum Windows with Safety Grills. (f) Floring : 2X2 Vitrified tiles floorings, (g) Kitchen : Cooking platform in polished granite with steel sink. (h) Toilets : Flooring with Ceramic Tiles and Glazed tiles dado of 7 ft Height. (i) Paintings : Internal: OBD with two coats of Putty Enamel Paint for doors and windows External Waterproof Cement Base paint. (j) Electrical : Concealed copper wiring with modular switches. (k) Sanitary & Water Supply : PVC & CPVC. Other Amenties : DG Set, Lift with standby DG Set, Gymnasium Room at basement and intercom facility. The apartment is **bounded as follows : On the East by :** Setback, **West by :** Passage, **North by :** Setback, **South by :** Flat No 102.

The above mentioned Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the Public in general that, the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein above, in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section(4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on above mentioned dates.

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with aforesaid properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the **STATE BANK OF INDIA** for amount as mentioned against their names with further interest accred thereon.

The Borrowers/guarantor's/Mortgagor's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 27.06.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **State Bank of India, RACPC Shankarapuram, Bangalore.**

PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY
MARINE DEPARTMENT
No. MD/ACCTS/MK/R-16/2023/703 Date: 25.06.2024
E-TENDER CALL NOTICE-CUM-E-AUCTION

Name of the work: Manning, Maintenance and Commercial Operation of PPA Dry Dock and Other Ancillaries on payment of Licence Fee for a period of 05 (Five) years. **Reserved price:** Rs.13,97,52,584/- plus GST as applicable for 05 years. Last date & time of Submission of tender through on-line bidding is **15:00 hours on dt.16.07.2024**. Date & time for opening of Technical Bid is **15:30 hours on dt.17/07/2024.** For details, please log on to the website: **https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app.**

Sd/- Deputy Conservator,
Paradip Port Authority
PPA/PR/19/2024-2025 dtd.27.06.2024

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Public are hereby informed that I, **Sri. B. S Nagaraj Son of Late B. Shamarao, having office at No. 204/C, 27th Cross, 6th main, 3rd Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011** has lost the Original Sale Deeds dated 17.07.2006 relating to Sy. No. 79/2 measuring 1Acre 6.08 Guntas, Sy.no.108/2 (New Sy. no. 108/10) measuring 15.12 guntas and Sy.No. 108/3 (New Sy.no. 108/6) measuring 8 guntas bearing Document No: YAN-1-8662/2006-07 executed by Sri. Anjanappa and two others and another Sale deed dated 17.07.2006 relating to Sy. No. 79/2 (New Sy.No. 79/5) measuring 1Acre 6.08 Guntas, Sy.no.108/2 (New no. 108/12) measuring 15.12 guntas and Sy.No. 108/3 (New No. 108/7) measuring 8 guntas bearing Document No. YAN-1-8658/2006-07 executed by Sri. Bryanna and two others, both deeds executed in favour of Sri. D.S. Raghavendra, situated at Bandikodegenahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bengaluru District registered in the office of the Sub-registrar Yelahanka, Bengaluru, has lodged a Complaint to the jurisdictional Police Station bearing lost report No. 1118279/2024. If anybody found this Document, please handover to the above address.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - II AT BANGALORE
Original Application No. 1333/2021

Between :
CANARA BANK ... Applicant
and
Sri R. Nageshchary
Bangalore Rural District-562110.
Represented by its Manager ...
Defendant

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANT UNDER RULE 23 (VIII(OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993. BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To,
Sri. Nagehsachary .R S/o. Sri Rudrachari, Aged about 44 years,
Proprietor of Prajwal Solar Systems, No. 51/1, Marasandra, Doddatumkur Post, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Doddaballapura Road, Bengaluru-560064.

Whereas, an application which has been filed by the Applicant above named under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993, praying to issue a Recovery Certificate against you to repay the Applicant Bank a sum of Rs. 1,08,31,237.79 (Rupees One Crore Eight Lakh Thirty One Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Seven and Seventy Nine Paisa only) to till the date of realization; together with interest at the contracted rate and also future interests, has been registered by this Tribunal.

You are directed to appear before the DRT-II, Bangalore on 14.10.2024 at 11.00 A.M., in the forenoon in person or by a Pleader/ Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take Notice that in case of default, the application will he heared and determined in your absence.

Give under my hand and seal of this Tribunal, on this **18th day of June 2024.**

Registrar,
DRT-II, Bangalore

MAHATRANSCO
Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.
INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) (LOCAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING)

SRM e-Tender No. T-2421/MSETCL/CO/ Projects /Pre-Tender 2nd call (RFx No. 6000001177)

MSETCL invites offers by SRM e-tendering in TWO bid system (Techno-Commercial Bid and Price Bid) from the eligible registered bidders for the following work as detailed below.

"Establishment of 220/33 kV S/S at Mudhale, Tal. Baramati, Dist. Pune along with associated line on turnkey basis under Pune Zone, MSETCL, Maharashtra."

Interested bidders may obtain further information available on the website. **https://srmetender.mahatransco.in**

The date of downloading of Bid documents available on the website is from 18.06.2024.

Sd/-
Chief Engineer (Projects), MSETCL

MAHATRANSCO
Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.
INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) (LOCAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING)

SRM e-Tender No. T-2422/MSETCL/CO/ Projects /Pre-Tender (RFx No. 6000001187)

MSETCL invites offers by SRM e-tendering in TWO bid system (Techno-Commercial Bid and Price Bid) from the eligible registered bidders for the following work as detailed below.

"Establishment of 220/33 kV s/s at Shrirampur MIDC, Dist. Ahemdnagar along with associated line under Nashik Zone, MSETCL, Maharashtra."

Interested bidders may obtain further information available on the website. **https://srmetender.mahatransco.in**

The date of downloading of Bid documents available on the website is from 18.06.2024.

Sd/-
Chief Engineer (Projects), MSETCL

ODISHA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(A Government of Odisha Undertaking)
Regd. Office: OPTCL TECH TOWER, Janpath, Saheed Nagar, Bhubaneswar-751007
CIN:U40102OR2004SGC007553

CAD-379

E-TENDER ALERT

1)E-Tender Call Notice No. 01 of 24-25: Bids are invited for "Interior work of TECH TOWER Building, Bhubaneswar- Phase- II" Under Civil Works Circle, Bhubaneswar.

2)E-Tender Call Notice No. ED-CZ-01/2024-25: PCC and Remetalling work in 132kV & 33kV Switchyard of 220/132/33kV Grid Substation Paradeep, Under EHT (O&M) Division, Paradeep at an Estimated cost of Rs.1,49,50,259.00/-.

3)E-Tender Call Notice No. ED-CZ-02/2024-25: PCC and Remetalling of 132kV & 33kV Switchyard of 132/33kV Grid Substation Jagatsinghpur, Under EHT (O&M) Division, Cuttack at an Estimated cost of Rs.43,99,667.00/-.

Complete set of bidding documents are available at **www.tenderwizard.com/OPTCL** and **www.optcl.co.in**. OIPR-04011/11/0014/2425 HIPR-04/2024-25

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY
Salem Division (Signal & Telecom Branch)
E-Tender Notice No. SA-GSU-ST-03-2023-14 date. 22.06.2024.

Senior Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer/Gati Shakti/Southern Railway/Solem Division, Salem -636005 for and on behalf of the President of India invites ONLINE tenders for the following works as per tender notice given in our e-tender portal **www.ireps.gov.in** The tenderer(s)/contractor(s) intending to apply for e-tender for WORKS in Salem Division, need to get enrolled in the e-tender portol **"www.ireps.gov.in** and only online tenders will be accepted. Payment of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) & Tender Document Cast (TDC), in respect of e-tendering, should be accepted through net banking or payment gateway only. Fixed Deposit Receipt (FDR) will not be accepted as EMD for tenders Invited on IREPS (e-tender portal).

Name of Work	Salem Division: Provision of SSBPAC/ UFSBI in lengthy block sections over Salem Division (4 Block sections: PTJ-CNV, PALM-EDU, EDU-DG & CBF-KAY)
Approximate Cost of the Work	₹.2,54,47,750.61/-
Earnest Money Deposit	₹.2,77,200/-
Cost of tender form	Nil
Eligibility criteria for similar single work	Applicable
Period of Completion	06 Months
Tender closing date and time	15/07/2024 at 15.00 Hrs.

NOTE: Details of approximate value of tender, tender form cost, EMD & location are given on the e-portal, **"www.ireps.gov.in".** For other details, terms and conditions, the tenderers are advised to refer to the Tender documents which are available at **"www.ireps.gov.in".**

SOUTHERN RAILWAY
(Construction Organisation)
Tender Notice No. 05-CECNMS-24-E-446937-II DATED 16-06-2024
Tender Notice No. CAO-CN-MS-DDC-2-LT-E-436793 DATED 21-06-2024
Tender Notice No. 06-CECNMS-24-E-456391 DATED 26-06-2024

For and on behalf of The President of India, The Chief Engineer, Construction, Southern Railway, Egmore, Chennai 600 008 invites e-tender for the following work(s) as per Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) in our portal **www.ireps.gov.in**. The tenderers/Contractors intending to apply for the tender needs to get enrolled in the portal **www.ireps.gov.in** and only online tenders will be accepted.

NAME OF THE WORK

MDU Division - MNM - RMM Section: Proposed Construction of Road Over Bridge of clear span 1 x 24.0m Composite girder in lieu of LC No.494 at km 608/000-100 between SOD RMD stations (Two Packet System).

Proposed New BG line between Tindivanam Nagari via. Walajah Road (184.45 Km) Providing Consultancy services and Preparation of GAD and Detailed Design and Drawing for Sub structure and Super structure for proposed ROB/RUB between Tindivanam Nagari Stations.

(1).ED CBE SECTION Proposed Construction of pedestrian subway (including collection well and Roof covering) of size 3.00x 2.75 m in lieu of existing Level crossing No: 6 Km: 6/15-17 between Irugur - Peelamedu Stations. (2). Irugur Coimbatore Section: Proposed Construction of Limited User Subway of size 4.50 x 2.75m in lieu of existing Level crossing No:7 at Km: 8/13 between Irugur Peelamedu Stations. (3).IGU-PLMD SECTION Proposed Construction of pedestrian subway (including collection well and Roof covering) of size 3.00x 2.75 m in lieu of existing Level crossing No: 9 Km: 10/19-20 between Peelamedu- Coimbatore North Stations. (4). Proposed Construction of Stair, Collection well and Roof covering at existing level crossing No.10 at Km. 11/33-35 between Peelamedu Coimbatore North Stations. (5)EDIGU Section: Launching of already pre casted RCC Box of size 3.00x2.75m for pedestrian subway (with stair, collection well and Roof covering) in lieu of existing Level crossing No: 132 at Km: 440/26-28 between Uthukuli and Tiruppur Stations. (6)ED-IGU Section: Launching of already pre casted RCC Box of size 3.00x2.75m for pedestrian subway (with stair, collection well with pump house and Roof covering) in lieu of existing Level crossing No:133 Km: 441/9-11 between Uthukuli and Tiruppur Stations.

Cash Value (Rupees)	Earnest Money Deposit (Rupees)	Period of Completion (Months)	Closing Date @ 15.30 Hrs
198504209.57	1142500.00	18	09.07.2024
52297579.03	411500.00	6	16.07.2024
65646637.30	478200.00	12	19.07.2024

For further details, please refer to web site portal **www.ireps.gov.in** or contact Chief Administrative Officer, Construction, E.V.R. High Road, Egmore, Chennai-600 008.

NATIONAL SEEDS CORPORATION LIMITED(NSC)
(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)
22-C, SIDCO (N), INDL. ESTATE, AMBATTUR, CHENNAI-600 050
Tel: 044 - 26256192, 26242363

No: 4/OS/PRODN/NSC-CHN/2024-2025/3 Date: 28.06.2024

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

(I). e-Tenders are invited from the reputed Seed Producer / Supplier for supply of purchase of Cotton, Oil seeds, Green manure and Fodder seeds **(e-tender ID-No: 4/OS/PRODN/NSC-CHN/2024-2025/3)**

(II).Due date and time of Tender bid submission for supply is **04.07.2024 up to 14.00 Hrs.**

For detailed information log on to the website **https://indiaseeds.enivida.com** and **www.indiaseeds.com**

REGIONAL MANAGER

ADMINISTRATION OF UNION TERRITORY OF LAKSHADWEEP (DIRECTORATE OF HEALTH SERVICES) KAVARATTI ISLAND
Email ID: lk-dhs@utl.gov.in

Dated.27.06.2024

E-TENDER NOTICE

E-Tenders are invited for **Annual procurement and supply of Laboratory and Surgical items for the year 2024-2025 required for All the Health Institutions under this department.** The tender notice can be downloaded from the web site **www.tendersutl.gov.in, www.laksahdweep.gov.in** further details can be seen from the same site.

Sd/- (Dr.Shrikant R.Tapdiya (DANICS)
Director Health Services

WESTERN RAILWAY
MATERIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE NO. S/28/2024 DATE 25.06.2024

Sr. No.	Short Description of item	Quantity	T.O.D.
415	DOUBLE GIRDER EOT CRANE CAPACITY 30T/10T	2 Set	17-Jul-24
416	TAPPERED ROLLER BEARING FOR SUSPENSION	290 Nos	17-Jul-24
417	SLIP FREE FINISH STAINLESS STEEL	24958 KG	24-Jul-24
418	BRIDGE APPROACH SLEEPER TO RDSO DRG. NO. T-8971 TO T-8978	600 Set	24-Jul-24
	REVERSE AUCTION		
29	SUPPLY AND FITMENT OF STAINLESS STEEL 3-SEATER/2-SEATER SEAT.	12 Set	25-Jul-24

Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website **www.ireps.gov.in** and **www.wr.indianrailways.gov.in** 0269

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SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
Notification Inviting Application for the Post of Honorary visiting Specialist (HVS) for Divisional Railway Hospital, Bengaluru

NOTICE NO. B/MD.HVS-Physician/RH/SBC/2024 Dated: 20-06-2024.

Application are invited for the post of Honorary Visiting Specialists (HVS) in the following field for a period of One Year from the date of appointment :

Speciality	No. of HVS Posts	No of Hours/Days in a week	Honorarium per Month
General Medicine (Physician)	01	4 Hours a day for 06 days/week	Rs. 78,000/-

Specialists interested to work as HVS General medicine (Physician) at Divisional Railway Hospital, Bengaluru may send their applications in sealed covers clearly mentioning on the cover "APPLICATIONS FOR THE POST OF HONORARY VISITING SPECIALIST (HVS) FOR DIVISIONAL RAILWAY HOSPITAL, BENGALURU" with detailed curriculum vitae along with copies of relevant documents (self Attested) in support of their age. qualification and experience addressed to Chief Medical Superintendent Divisional Railway Hospital M. G. Colony Railway Quarters Bengaluru-560 023 as per the timeline mentioned below

Last date and time of Receipt of Application : - 15:00 Hrs. of 01-08-2024

Date and Time of opening of Application : 15:30 Hrs. of 01-08-2024.

For details log on:
https://swr.indianrailways.gov.in/view_section.jsp?lang=0&id=0,1,261,293,549,2043

PUB/192/AAF/PRB/SWR/2024-25 Chief Medical Superintendent, Bengaluru

South Western Railway - SWR | SWRRLY | SWRRLY

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE WIRELESS
No.1, M. G. Road, Bengaluru-560001. Phone: +91-80-22942324
Email: spwireless@ksp.gov.in

Tender No: KSP/2024-25/SE0024 Date: 26.06.2024

Tender Notification (Through e-procurment Portal)

Additional Director General of Police, Communication, Logistics & Modernization, Bengaluru invited tender for providing call takers for 24*7 Public Safety Answering Point of ERSS-112 at Bangalore through e-procurement portal. Estimated Bid value : **Rs.857.14 Lakhs.** Pre -bid meeting on **08/07/2024 at 11.30 am** The Last date and time for tender submission **25.07.2024, 5 pm.** Further details can be obtained by visiting e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** For more information, please contact the above office.

Sd/-
Superintendent of Police,
Wireless, Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/648/2024-25

BHARATIYA RESERVE BANK NOTE MUDRAN (P) LIMITED
(Wholly owned subsidiary of Reserve Bank of India)
P.O.: RBNML, Salboni - 721132, Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal
Phone No.: 03227-280176 / 280317; Fax No.: 03227-280744 / 280222

OPEN TENDER ENQUIRY (OTE)/NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (NCB)

Bids are invited under Two-Part bidding system for the following e-Tenders through MSTC Portal: -

1. SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, COMMISSIONING, TRAINING AND PERFORMANCE TESTING OF DOUBLE HEAD SHEET COUNTING MACHINE AT BRBNMPL, SALBONI; MSTC EVENT NO. BRBNMPL/SALBONI PRESS/MMD/17/24-25/ET/36 [DH SHEET COUNT]; BRBNMPL TENDER NO. 007/SAL/PUR/2024-25; [ESTIMATED COST – ₹210.00 LAKH]
2. SUPPLY OF PET STRAP FOR BOX PACKING AT BRBNMPL, SALBONI AND MYSURU PRESSES; MSTC EVENT NO. BRBNMPL/SALBONI PRESS/MMD/18/24-25/ET/37 [PET STRAP]; BRBNMPL TENDER NO. 008/SAL/PUR/2024-25; [ESTIMATED COST – ₹28.19 LAKH]
3. SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF ACOUSTIC FALSE CEILING & WALL PANELLING AT KALAKENDRA, BRBNMPL, SALBONI; MSTC EVENT NO. BRBNMPL/SALBONI PRESS/MMD/8/24-25/ET/16 [ACOUSTIC WORKS AT KALAKENDRA]; BRBNMPL TENDER NO. 009/SAL/MMD-CIVIL/2024-25; [ESTIMATED COST – ₹32.60 LAKH]
4. SUPPLY, ERECTION, TESTING OF STREET LIGHT POLES, LUMINARIES AND ASSOCIATED CABLE LAYING WORK OUTSIDE BRBNMPL TOWNSHIP, SALBONI; MSTC EVENT NO. BRBNMPL/SALBONI PRESS/MMD/16/24-25/ET/35 [STREET LIGHT POLES]; BRBNMPL TENDER NO. 010/SAL/MMD-MAINT/2024-25; [ESTIMATED COST – ₹35.00 LAKH]
5. CONSTRUCTION OF MID-DAY MEAL HALL IN FIVE SCHOOLS OF PASCHIM MEDINIPUR DISTRICT; MSTC EVENT NO. BRBNMPL/SALBONI PRESS/ ADMINISTRATION/1/24-25/ET/38 [MID-DAY HALL IN FIVE SCHOOLS]; BRBNMPL TENDER NO. 001/SAL/CSR/2024-25; [ESTIMATED COST – ₹67.97 LAKH]

Last date of tender submission – 30.07.2024 by 11:00 Hrs. For downloading tender documents and other details, kindly visit website **www.mstcecommerce.com**. Tender details are also available at our website **www.brbnmpl.co.in**. Further extension or amendment/s, if any, shall be uploaded on the above websites.

Senior General Manager

MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
Office of The Executive Engineer,
Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Department Division, Belagavi. Ph. : 0831-2463850, Fax : 0831-2423008.

No.: EE/MI&GWDDD/BGM/TND/AE/JE/2024-25/2315 Date : 27-06-2024

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (KW - 1, 3 & 4)

As per KTTP Act-2000 and recent Amendments the **Executive Engineer Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Department Division Belagavi** has invited the Item rate tender through KPPP **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in).**

Total 05 Nos. of Belgavi / Gokak Sub Divisions Estimate Amount Highest Rs. 250.00 Lakhs & Lowest Rs. 9.50 Lakh. 1) For KW - 4 Work Date of Pre-tender Meeting : 10-07-2024 at 11.00 a.m., 2) Tender Receipt Last Date : 11-07-2024 Evening 4.00 p.m., 3) Tender Opening Date : 12-07-2024 Evening 4.30 p.m., (if possible), 4) For Tender Details Office Address : Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Department Division Belagavi & www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
M.I.&G.W.D.D. Division, Belagavi.

DIPR/Belagavi/224/Manipal/2024-25

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED
Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Ph :** 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

POSSESSION NOTICE (Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **City Union Bank Ltd.,** having its **Administrative Office** at **No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612001** and one of the Branch Offices at **B.M.Road, 316, I Stage, Near Bus Stand, Bengaluru-Mysore Main Road, Ramanagara, Bengaluru Rural - 571511, Bengaluru-Ramanagara Branch** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) & (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice Dated **06-04-2024** calling upon the borrowers **No.1) M/s. Shahiya Timbers, No.2311, Mothi Nagar, Main Road, 2nd Railway Gate, Ramanagaram - 562159. No.2) Mr. Touseef Ulla Khan, S/o. Sami Ulla Khan, No.2966, 4th Ward, Masjid Lane, Mothi Nagar, Ramanagara - 562159. No.3) Mrs. Sheemaz, W/o. Touseef Ulla Khan, No.2966, 4th Ward, Masjid Lane, Mothi Nagar, Ramanagara - 562159** to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice being **Rs.10,88,282/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Eighty Eight Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty Two only)** within **60 days** from the date of the said Notice with subsequent interest thereon from **04-04-2024** with monthly rests.

The borrowers above named having failed to repay the amount despite the receipt of the above referred statutory notice, NOTICE is hereby given to the borrowers above named and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the Properties described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this 25th day of June 2024.

The borrowers above named in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of City Union Bank Ltd. for an amount of **Rs.11,19,960/- (Rupees Eleven Lakh Nineteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty only)** and interest thereon from **11-06-2024** till the repayment of entire dues.

The borrowers' attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
Schedule - A
Property - 1 : (Property Owned by Mr. Touseef Ulla Khan, S/o. Sami Ulla Khan)

All that piece and Parcel of the Residential Property bearing Old Municipal Khatha No.254/238/2015, New Municipal Khatha No.238/2015, Present Property No.16-2-132-3, Old Property No.3015, Assessment No.238/3015. Measuring : East to West 24 feet, North to South 50 feet, Totally measuring 1,200 Sq.ft. situated at Ward No.16, Balageri (Nerale Keri), Ramanagara. Bounded on : East by : House of Asmath Khan, West by : Property of Pushpamma, North by : Property of Wajid Khan, South by : Municipal Road.

Place : Bengaluru-Ramanagara, Date : 25-06-2024 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

THE KARNATAKA STATE CO-OPERATIVE APEX BANK LTD
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DEMAND NOTICE

Notice Under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

We, **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,** had issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgement Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has been returned due to non-availability of addressees at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below.

The Karnataka State Co-operative Apex Bank Ltd., through its Vijayanagar Branch has sanctioned Site Mortgage Loan of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Only) on 09.12.2021 vide A/c No.1017-50-762-0000089 and Additional Site Mortgage Loan of Rs.3,95,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Ninety Five Thousand Only) on 21.04.2023 vide A/c No.1017-50-762-0000101 to Smt. Sharmila Manjunath W/o. Sri. Manjunath.T.C., hereinafter called as the "Borrower".

Name and Address of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : Borrowers: (1) Smt. Sharmila Manjunath, W/o. Sri. Manjunath.T.C., No.493, 6th Main, N.G.E.F. Layout, 2nd Stage, Nrupathunganagar, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru-560 072. **Also at :** No.226, Aayushman, 1st Main, Nagarabhavi 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560 072.

(1) Site Mortgage Loan A/c No.1017-50-762-0000089
Principal Rs.9,39,036/- + Int. Rs.48,362/- total Rs.9,87,398/-
(2) Additional Site Mortgage Loan A/c No.1017-50-762-0000101
Principal Rs.3,86,469/- + Int.Rs.19,845/- total Rs.4,06,314/-

Total amount : Rs.13,93,712/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Ninety Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Twelve Only) together with further interest there on at contractual interest rate from **27.05.2024** and all other costs and charges including penal interest.

NPA Date : 07.02.2024 **Demand Notice Dated : 14.06.2024**

Description of the Immovable Schedule Property : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.1651 EWS, Sector B, developed by the Karnataka Housing Board, under Suvarna Karnataka Scheme and 225 Scheme, property No.301/B/EWS/1651, PID No.150200103200721839, situated at Suryanagara Phase-II, comprising of lands acquired by the Karnataka Housing Board in various survey numbers of Hinnakki Village, Jigani Hobli of Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru urban District measuring East to West 6.00 Meters and North to South 9.00 Meters, in all measuring 54.00 Sq. Meters and bounded. Including all appurtenances thereto and structures contained therein whether above or beneath the ground and boundaries of the property is : East by : Site No.1652 EWS, West by : Site No.1650 EWS, North by : 9 Meter Wide Road, South by : Site No.1658 EWS.

You are here by called upon to pay **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned here above, failing which **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers and the Guarantors. The powers available to **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,** under the Act include power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagor including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice and Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section 13 (2) of the said Act.

Date : 29.06.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,**

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE
ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice. Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	Hajee AP Bava Infra Pvt Ltd, Arakkal Pandikasalakkal Abdul Kareem, Mohammed Arshad & Muhammed Azharudden/ Apco Automobiles Pvt Ltd Apco Tata Service Centre RSY 21/149, 21/150 Thottada Near Sooraj Theatre Kannur Kerala-670007/ 074851000003 & 074855000005.	Property 1: All The Piece And Parcel Of Property Of Land And Building In Industrial Plot No G1-443 To 445, Measuring 4000 Sq. Meters Located At Mewar Industrial Area, Tehsil Girwa, Udaipur (Raj.) These Plots Fall Within Leasehold Lands Bounded By, East: Agri Land West: Plot No F-185,188 And 187 North: Road P 30 Meters Wide South: Plot No E180 Together With All The Buildings And Structures Thereon, Fixtures, Fittings And All Plant And Machinery Attached To The Earth Or Permanently Fastened To Anything Attached To The Earth, Both Present And Future. Date Of Symbolic Possession 24th June 2024.	November 03, 2022 Rs. 4,75,30,426.00/-	Udaipur

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: June 29, 2024
Place: Bangalore

Sincerely Authorised Signatory
For ICICI Bank Ltd.

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महेंद्रगिरि पी ओ-627 133
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DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
ISRO PROPULSION COMPLEX
CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE GROUP
MAHENDRAGIRI PO - 627 133
Telephone: 04637 – 28-1672 | 1582 |3582,
Fax: 04637 – 281681.

ई-निविदा सूचना / E-TENDER NOTICE दिनांक/Dated : 24-06-2024

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, निम्नलिखित कार्यों हेतु ई-निविदा द्वारा मद-दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं।
On Behalf of the President of India, item-rate tenders are invited through **e-tendering** for the following works:

क्र. सं. / Sl. No.	कार्यों के नाम [सिविल कार्य क्र.सं. 01 : विद्युत् कार्य – क्र.सं. 02 से 03 : वातानुकूलन कार्य – क्र.सं. 04] / Name of The Works [Civil Works - Sl.no: 01 : Electrical Work - Sl.no: 02 to 03 : Air Conditioning Work - Sl.no: 04]	प्राक्कलित लागत / Estimated Cost ₹(लाखों में) (in Lakhs)	कार्य पूरा होने की अवधि / Period of completion	ईएमडी / EMD(₹)
1	एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/ सीएमजी/ टीडी/ ई-71/ एमए/ सीपीएच-31/2024-25	NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TD/e-71/MA/CPH-31/2024-25		
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि में समूह क, समूह घ (आईएलएचपी) और सी.आई.एस.एफ./ अनिवार्य स्टाफ क्वार्टर्स में संरचनात्मक स्टील कार्य/ राजगीरी कार्य का अनुरक्षण। **Maintenance of Structural steel works / Masonry works in Group "A", Group "D" (ILHP) and CISF / Essential Staff Qtrs. at IPRC, Mahendragiri.**	41.24	12 (बारह महीने / Twelve months)	82,500
2	एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/ सीएमजी/ टीडी/ ई-64/ एमए/ ईलई-24/2024-25	NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TD/e-64/MA/ELE-24/2024-25		
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के बी, सी तथा क्रायो सुविधाओं में बाह्य पावर फीडर लाइन, मार्ग प्रकाश तथा अन्य विद्युत् संबंधी कार्य का वार्षिक अनुरक्षण (बाह्य कार्य)। **Annual Maintenance of external power feeder lines, street lights & other electrical works in B, C and Cryo facilities, IPRC, Mahendragiri. (External works)**	33.53	12 (बारह महीने / Twelve months)	67,100
3	एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/ सीएमजी/ टीडी/ ई-70/ एमए/ ईलई-25/2024-25	NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TD/e-70/MA/ELE-25/2024-25		
	आईपीआरसी हाउसिंग कॉलोनी, नागरकोविल में विद्युत् अधिष्ठापनाओं के अनुरक्षण हेतु कार्य संविदा। **Works Contract for Maintenance of Electrical Installation at ISRO Housing colony, Nagercoil.**	36.13	12 (बारह महीने / Twelve months)	72,300
4	एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/ सीएमजी/ टीडी/ ई-69/ एमए/ एसी-02/2024-25	NIT no: IPRC/CMG/TD/e-69/MA/AC-02/2024-25		
	आईपीआरसी, महेन्द्रगिरि में ए.सी. संयंत्रों के प्रचालन और अनुरक्षण हेतु गैर-व्यापक वार्षिक अनुरक्षण संविदा। **Non-Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract for Operation and Maintenance of AC plants at IPRC, Mahendragiri.**	55.57	12 (बारह महीने / Twelve months)	1,11,200

ऑनलाइन निवेदन करने की तिथि : Dates for Online Request : **From 28-06-2024[1000 hours/ बजे से To: 12-07-2024[1800 hours/ बजे] तक।**

नियत समय व प्रस्तुतीकरण की तिथि: Due Time & Date of Submission : **15-07-2024[1800 hours/बजे] तक।**

अधिक जानकारी के लिए देखें : For further details visit: **www.isro.gov.in/tenders (या/or) www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO.**

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APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6) & 9 (1)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforc

EDITORIAL

"Prejudice is a burden that confuses the past, threatens the future and renders the present inaccessible" — Maya Angelou

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— Ramnath Goenka

HEED RBI'S WARNING ON RISING HOUSEHOLD DEBT, FALLING SAVINGS

THE latest round of banking stress tests confirm that bad loans will likely settle at a multi-year low of 2.5 percent this fiscal, provided there is no fresh trouble. According to RBI's Financial Stability Report released Thursday, bad loans as a proportion of overall loans touched a 12-year low of 2.8 percent in 2023-24, but could rise to 3.4 percent under severe stress. As for sectors, agriculture saw the highest impairment ratio in the previous fiscal, while retail loans saw an across-the-board reduction in gross non-performing assets (NPAs). The industrial sector, too, saw its asset quality improve across multiple sub-sectors. A key indicator of asset quality, the ratio of special mention accounts—where payments are overdue by 60-90 days—is showing relatively low levels of potential impairments. On balance, domestic financial conditions are buttressed by healthy balance sheets across financial institutions, improving asset quality, adequate provisioning and robust earnings.

It's heartening that banks have enough capital buffers to overcome any macroeconomic shock, while their earnings remain robust. In other words, the Indian banking system is well-positioned to spur credit growth. However, it's the demand that needs to pick up pace. While the growth in the services sector, especially in retail loans, seems unstoppable, a rise in industrial credit remains elusive. Banks also seem to be wary of large borrowers or handing out big-ticket loans, which actually led to a disproportionate rise in bad loans just a few years ago. But it's also true that such caution has helped lower the gross NPA ratios. According to the RBI, the sustained reduction in the gross bad loans since March 2020 has been primarily due to a persistent fall in new NPA accretions and increased write-offs.

But unlike in the past, when the RBI would warn about rising stress in industrial loans, this time the central bank raised red flags over household debt. With overall household savings declining and financial liabilities increasing, it noted that household debt warrants close monitoring from a financial stability perspective. Households' financial liabilities shot up post-pandemic, while their savings declined to 18.4 percent of GDP in 2022-23, down from an average of 20 percent during 2013-22. The government had attributed the decline to a rise in physical and financial assets. That could be true; but it's also essential to prevent any build-up of reckless lending.

CPM CANNOT AFFORD ANOTHER MISSTEP

IT was a political murder that had rocked Kerala. The ripples from the brutal killing of T P Chandrasekharan, a former CPI(M) leader who had floated a new party called the Revolutionary Marxist Party, in Vadakara in 2012 are yet to calm down. The allegation that the CPI(M) leadership was somehow involved in the murder—despite the party leadership's steadfast denial—is very much alive. The opposition has used the case to corner the LDF every election since then. The fact that K K Rema, Chandrasekharan's wife, is now an MLA backed by the Congress-led UDF has also kept the politics around the murder alive. It is indeed a subject the ruling CPI(M) would prefer to forget.

The LDF government was again caught on the wrong foot as officials from the Kannur Central Jail sought police reports on CPI(M) workers undergoing life sentences in the case to grant them early remission as part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav. While handing out life sentences to the 12 convicts this February, the high court had said that nine of them would not be entitled to remission before completing 20 years of imprisonment. The move by the Kannur prison officials is a blatant violation of this order. The opposition created a ruckus in the assembly claiming that it indicated the government was trying to protect the criminals. Rema alleged that the jail superintendent, on his own, could not have taken such a decision without the backing of the chief minister, who is also in charge of the home department.

The state government has been denying any hand in this ever since the controversy broke out. Insisting that none of those convicts are being considered for remission, the government has also ordered the suspension of the prison officials who had initiated the move. The opposition alleges that the government is trying to save face by scapegoating the officials. The CPI(M) is not in a position to afford one more political misstep after the recent election rout. If the party and the government do not learn lessons from its mistakes, it might not take much time to disintegrate in the state as it did elsewhere. The leadership must realise that the party no longer has the sturdiness to withstand yet another *faux pas*.

QUICK TAKE

DEBATE STIRS A WORRY

MOST observers of American politics described Friday's debate between Joe Biden, 81, and Donald Trump, 78, as "unwatchable" or "excruciating". From the blue corner came the incumbent US president's often-incomprehensible jabs in a raspy voice, and from the red corner came the former president's bluster. Biden's former chief of staff Ron Klain once said, "While you can lose a debate at any time, you can only win it in the first 30 minutes." By that measure, Biden lost. A televised debate between top leaders is a tradition worth emulating. But seeing the two main contenders for the world's most powerful office falling short of the role requirement is a cause for worry.

Parliament is run on strict rules. A few stem from British practices, others were moulded post independence. Revisiting some of them might improve the working of the legislature

A RELOOK AT THE RULES OF THE HOUSES

P D T ACHARY

Former Secretary General, Lok Sabha

MANDAR PARDIKAR

THE new Lok Sabha started with the president addressing both Houses of parliament. Article 87 of the Constitution provides for this address, which contains details of the government's programmes for the year. It is repeated every year. This practice was adopted from Britain, where the monarch addresses the Houses of Lords and Commons jointly at the beginning of the year.

The interesting thing about this address is that it is prepared by the government and the president only reads it. The president cannot make any changes in this address. The reason is that in the parliamentary form that we have, the government is accountable to parliament and, therefore, it is responsible for whatever is said in the address.

Parliament is run on rules. No one can raise a matter in the House without the support of the rules. The rules being followed today are, in a way, a continuation of the standing orders of the Central Legislative Assembly of British India that have been suitably modified since independence. There is a view among parliament watchers that some of the rules need to be revisited to give more freedom to the members and to dilute the absolute discretion vested in the Speaker without, of course, compromising his authority in any way. A few examples can be cited.

Rule 43, relating to questions, says that a question can be disallowed when the Speaker feels "it is an abuse of the right of questioning or is calculated to obstruct or prejudicially affect the procedure of the House". It's not clear what those words mean. Rule 41 lays down a plethora of conditions that govern the admissibility of a question. So, in the normal course, a question that conforms to these conditions should be admitted. In other words, an MP has the right to have a question admitted if it conforms to these conditions.

Then why should the Speaker have the power to disallow any question on the vague grounds laid down in Rule 43? It must be remembered that the right to ask questions in parliament flows from Article 75 of the Constitution, which says the Council of Ministers shall be effectively responsible to parliament. The Speaker's discretion to disallow a question may be seen as a case of infringement of a constitutional right of MPs. Therefore, a case can be made for the revocation of Rule 43(1) of the Rules of Procedure in the Lok Sabha.

Now, if a question is disallowed, the MP has no right to make a representation to the Speaker. It is an irony that the Constitution gives the right to every person to make a representation to an authority, but MPs are not allowed to make a representation to the Speaker if his or her question has been disallowed. (M N Kaul and S L Shakdher, 6th edition, Page 504)

After the president has delivered the address, it is customary for both Houses to debate it. Article 87(2) mandates such a debate on matters referred to in the address. This debate takes place on a motion named 'Motion of Thanks' in each House. It is odd that the Motion of Thanks to the president is subject to amendments. This time, there was a case of amending the motion by the opposition in the Rajya Sabha because the ruling party did not have a majority. This can be seen as being rude to the president. In fact, this procedure described in the rules is not in conformity with Article 87 of the Constitution, which simply says the Houses shall discuss the matters referred to in the address. It does not mention any Motion of Thanks. By this article, a debate can be raised on the address with or without a motion. After the debate, a separate resolution can be adopted unanimously by the Houses thanking the president for the address.

Thus, the ignominy of amending the motion can be avoided, and a more dignified way of expressing their gratitude to the head of the state can be adopted.

Both Houses have equal rights in the matter of passing laws. The only exception is in Money Bills, which are defined in Article 110. Any Bill that deals with taxation, withdrawal of money from the Consolidated Fund, government borrowings, etc is a Money Bill. The Rajya Sabha has no power to pass or reject a Money Bill. It can only make a recommendation, which may or may not be accepted by the Lok Sabha. Thus, only the Lok Sabha has the final say on money Bills.

Under Article 110(3), it is the Speaker who certifies a Bill as a Money Bill. Such a certificate becomes crucial when the ruling party does not have a majority in the Rajya Sabha. In the 16th Lok Sabha, even an amendment to the Representation of the People Act, 1951 was certified as a Money Bill, thus escaping the scrutiny of the Rajya Sabha.

The Supreme Court is seized of this matter, but it has not moved towards a resolution on it. It is necessary to review Article 110(3) as well as the gamut of provisions relating to the role of the Rajya Sabha in financial matters. We have just followed British practice in this regard. But our Rajya Sabha is unlike the House of Lords, whose financial powers were taken over by the Commons in a century-long confrontation with the lords, who are not elected.

Voting procedure in parliament needs to be revisited. On most occasions, the Houses decide issues by voice vote, which is not clearly sanctioned by the Constitution. Article 100 says that all questions shall be determined by a majority of votes of the members present and voting. This article implies that all questions should be decided by recording the votes. Majority can be determined only in terms of numbers. It is a matter of crucial importance.

The new Lok Sabha is unique in that the opposition has 234 members. A large dose of wisdom would be needed to navigate the House through turbulent waters. If the politicians act wisely and with tact, this Lok Sabha can create history.

(Views are personal)

MICRO RACISM 2.0: IDLI-DOSA vs PANI-PURI

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REVERSE SWING

IT'S nice to see a coalition government in Delhi led by PM Narendra Modi's BJP taking power with critical support from the TDP under Nara Chandrababu Naidu. This should augur well for south-north relations.

I put south before north with deliberate intent. Mathematics teaches us that a permutation is not a combination; the former involves a sequence that has its own meaning. It's time to apply that concept in our social, political and cultural life, just to get a hang of what things were, are and could be. Saying south-north relations instead of the other way should help us understand how equations work in a world where perspectives differ by points of view.

The provocation is a story about actor Shruti Haasan, who shut down a request during a live session on Instagram. It seems she was asked by a follower to say something in a south Indian accent and she called it an act of "micro racism". This is what she said in Insta-slang: "So, this sort of micro racism is not OK. And it's not OK when you look at us and say idli-dosa-sambar either. And no, you don't imitate us well, so don't try and be funny."

Point taken. Let me add that we Indians have a strange way of describing southerners as 'south Indians'. Can we drop that 'Indian' bit? It kind of states the obvious. Perhaps there is a post-colonial interpretation to this—about seeing one's own self from an outsider's POV. That may be an excellent practice spiritually, but perhaps not in a socio-political sense.

What Haasan did was a rare act of a southerner retorting in a firm manner. It represents a new pushback from the south of the Vindhyas against what one has experienced in the north for decades. As a kid growing up in New Delhi, I was used to southerners being called 'Madrasi', mocked in supposedly funny accents and described in idli-dosa idioms. Social media has turned the southern annoyance into amusement, with jibes flying both ways. Southern retorts are often targeted at the so-called 'national' TV news channels based in the north that frequently play down southern issues or reveal a superficial understanding of them. Such media outlets have been suitably dubbed by a humourist as 'Amit media', with Amit serving as a catchphrase for a typical northern name, much like idli-dosa. If I may be allowed a somewhat micro-racist pun on north-speak, this idli-dosa conversation is getting batter and batter.

We heard some news of unwelcome deterrence in this matter earlier this year, when a DMK minister taunted Tamil Nadu's governor for asking southerners to learn Hindi for better prospects. "While English is an international language, Tamil is a local language. We were told that learning Hindi could land us with jobs. Is that so? You go and see in our state and in Coimbatore. Who are those people who sell pani puris?" the minister said in a reference to northern migrant workers.

PTI

Actor Shruti Haasan recently shut down a fan's request to say something with a southern accent, calling it "micro racism". After decades of being lampooned as the idli-dosa people, southerners have started calling those north of the Vindhyas as the pani-puri people. Both are best avoided

The harsh fact is that 'pani-puri' is now an oft-used expression in Tamil Nadu to describe migrants from the north. When southerners went north soon after independence to seek jobs in the national capital, they were mocked as migrants, not as employees of a new republic. The boot is on the other foot now.

The Hindutva-Dravida divide in ideologies is aiding tensions that reflect in the streets as micro-racist humour. Jibes and memes are seeing a reverse swing from the south, which is new.

Politics has become extra-sensitive. Congress MP Shashi Tharoor walked into hard retorts from the BJP earlier this week after sharing on social media a meme on Uttar Pradesh linked to its exam paper leaks. The joke mocked UP as one where answers are known before they get questions.

It should not surprise us touchy folks from northern states are no longer amused by the academic acronym, BIMARU. The term, coined by demographer Ashish Bose in the mid-1980s, was created from the first letters of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. Used academically to denote states that ranked low on income and human development indices, it also became a pejorative as southern states marched forward in economic terms.

But these Hindi states were and are politically crucial. With the economically prosperous south also becoming politically significant, we may as well question headlines that describe Hindi-speaking states as the 'heartland' of India.

We may gently point to how southerners, Sikhs, Bengalis and even northern Biharis have been routinely lampooned in Bollywood for their accents. The current pani-puri pushback pales in comparison. Decades after its release, Mehmood's ostensibly Tamilian accent in *Padosan* stands alongside its memorable music as a stark reminder of idli-dosa politics.

To get the point across, I may as well use a line from a Bollywood hit set in UP, *Tanu Weds Manu* Returns: "*Kya* Sharma *ji! Hum thode bewafa kya huye, aap to badchalan ho gaye*." (What is this, Mr Sharma! I turned just a tad disloyal, whereas you have become characterless.)

The rise of southern micro racism, much like its northern part, is best nipped in the bud. The occasional pani-puri references stand against decades of northern stereotyping of southerners. The south is no longer going to watch this standing by idly. Or should that be idli?

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Discipline, decorum

Ref: *Cooperation needed to end continued paralysis of parliament* (Jun 28). High-pitched battles, showmanship and acrimonious debates that result in paralysing the functioning of parliament should be avoided. It is the responsibility of leaders to inculcate discipline and decorum in their members.
Rajarao Kumar, Bengaluru

Opposition's responsibility

The editorial aptly highlighted the equal responsibility of both the ruling alliance and the combined opposition. The opposition has more onus than the government, since this time people voted for more legislators from the INDI Alliance. Instead of conflicts, there ought to be consensus and conciliation on the proceedings. That the Speaker had to adjourn the Lok Sabha after the ruckus over NEET issue does not augur well.
R Sridharan, Chennai

Hamas attacks

Ref: *How the Gaza fallout is coming closer to India* (Jun 28). The author talks of the horrific violence Israel let loose in Gaza, but he has no word against Hamas's savage attacks on Israel that triggered Israel's defensive offence. Paradoxically, while he underscores the importance of India's foreign policy, he eulogises Rahul Gandhi for keeping away from talking about it.
U Atreya Sarma, Hyderabad

EVM doubts

Ref: *Quietening those who cast doubts on EVMs* (Jun 28). The doubts over EVMs in India always depend on where the parties sit. When the present ruling party faced defeat twice, they not only had doubts, G V L Narasimha Rao wrote a book, *Democracy at Risk: Can We Trust Our Electronic Voting Machines?* Might be worth a read.
N Nagarajan, Secunderabad

Ecosystem's importance

Ref: *Don't politicise effort to save flora & fauna* (Jun 28). Due to extraction and its effects on flora and fauna, there is a visible change in climate as well as the environment. The government should take notice of this issue. We must realise the importance of the ecosystem.
Aditya Kamble, Kalaburagi

Opening performance

The Indian cricket team's management is making a mistake by making Virat Kohli play as an opener. During this tournament, his performance as opener has been pathetic. He is better at one down. Hope the management looks into this and Kohli's batting order is changed for a better performance.
Durga Prasad Chirala, Vijayawada

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Jagat Prakash Nadda @JPNadda
The West Bengal government has become a mute spectator to deliberate acts of violence against innocent people. CM Mamata Banerjee must be held accountable for negligence and inaction.

Sachin Pilot @SachinPilot
The Leader of the Opposition has every right to express his views in the House but the BJP government is tarnishing this parliamentary tradition.

Tejashwi Yadav @yadavtejashwi
The justice loving people of the country know how opposition leaders have been harassed in the name of raids, summons and jail by misusing agencies.

Not allowed to speak on NEET in House, says Rahul

Calls exam a disaster, which has hit 2 crore students 70 times in 7 yrs

PREETHA NAIR @New Delhi

Rahul Gandhi addresses the media outside Parliament in New Delhi on Friday | PTI

LEADER of Opposition in the Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi, on Friday launched a scathing attack on the Modi government saying that the Prime Minister does not want a debate on the NEET issue and the Opposition was not allowed to discuss the matter in Parliament.

Lok Sabha proceedings were adjourned on Friday as the Opposition demanded a discussion on the alleged irregularities in NEET-UG exam results.

Addressing students through a video message, Gandhi said there has been a "disaster" concerning the NEET. "The dreams and aspirations of all those students have been destroyed and ridiculed. Everyone knows the paper was leaked, resulting in people making thousands of crores of rupees, and causing harm to students," he said.

The Congress MP said there was unanimous agreement among all Opposition parties that a thorough discussion on NEET is paramount.

"We are committed to having that discussion peacefully, in a very accommodating manner. I tried to raise it in Parliament, but I wasn't allowed to speak. This is an issue that has affected two crore students 70 times in seven years. Papers have been leaked, and it is clear that there is a systemic problem and a huge amount of corruption," Gandhi said.

He said the direction seemed to have come directly from the Prime Minister. "It is sad. The Prime Minister should be leading the discussion. He should be telling us his opinion and what he intends to do. But he simply doesn't want a debate. We are ready for a debate and we don't want to fight with the government. We want to place our views on the issue. Unfortunately, the government did not allow discussion," he said.

"The students have studied for years. It's their dream and aspiration to enter the medical field that has been destroyed and ridiculed. Yesterday, in the Opposition meeting, I personally raised this issue. I said we should send a message to students that we care for them, we believe in them, they are the future, and we need to spend one day discussing NEET," the Leader of Opposition said.

Kharge enters well, V-P says shocking

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @New Delhi

THE Rajya Sabha witnessed repeated adjournments on Friday following uproar by Opposition parties demanding immediate discussion on the alleged irregularities in NEET-UG results as the House took up the motion of thanks to the President's address.

When the Rajya Sabha reassembled at 2.30 pm after the third adjournment, DMK member Tiruchi Siva informed the House that Congress MP Phulo Devi Netam, who had fainted earlier, had a blood pressure problem. In response, Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar said, "I have taken all steps... All arrangements were made and that was the most that could be done."

However, the Opposition was apparently not satisfied and started sloganeering. Soon after, they staged a walkout and were also joined by members of the Biju Janta Dal (BJD).

Dhankhar again expressed anguish over the situation prevailing in the House. He said it was "unbelievable" that Leader of Opposition **Mallikarjun Kharge** entered the well of the House to protest.

"It was very painful for me, unbelievable, that Mallikarjun Kharge, a leader with parliamentary experience of over five decades, having held the position of Leader of Opposition both in the state and in Parliament, walking into the well of the House.

"The deputy leader of the party Pramod Tiwari and senior leader Mukul Wasnik also walked in. It was a very painful moment for me. We expect the Leader of Opposition and Leader of the House to exemplify their conduct that is worth emulating," Dhankhar said.

The disruptions were marked by intense sloganeering and protests, leading to the suspension of proceedings thrice. Despite attempts to resume proceedings, disruptions persisted, with BJP leader Sudhanshu Trivedi's speech on the Motion of Thanks repeatedly interrupted by Opposition.

"Kharge ji came to the well, the entire House saw. But what is more painful for me is that he has misrepresented and spoken untruth. He is in denial mode and his statement put on Twitter (now X) is self-contradictory," Dhankar said.

CBI arrests 2 from J'khand, says origin of leak established

MUKESH RANJAN @New Delhi

THE Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) on Friday succeeded in establishing the origin of the NEET-UG paper leak and arrested the principal and vice-principal of a school in Hazaribagh district of Jharkhand in this regard, officials said.

The arrested persons were identified as Oasis School principal Ehsanul Haque and vice-principal Imtiaz Alam. Haque was the city coordinator of Hazaribagh for the medical entrance exam conducted by the National Testing Agency (NTA) on May 5. Alam was the observer and the centre coordinator at the Oasis School.

Meanwhile, officials at the CBI headquarters in Delhi said that the agency sleuths are also questioning five more people from Hazaribagh in connection with the case.

Incidentally, Haque and Alam became suspects during the initial probe conducted by the Bihar Police's Economic Offences Unit (EOU), which visited the Hazaribagh school premises.

According to the CBI officials, the EOU sleuths had found that the serial code found on the burnt remains of a leaked question paper in Bihar matched with the Oasis School examination centre, but they could not confirm then who was behind the leak. The EOU officials took with them the two aluminium boxes, which had the question papers.

In their findings shared with the CBI, the EOU officials had claimed that the leaked NEET-UG question paper was allegedly obtained from the Oasis School by the notorious Sanjeev Kumar alias Lutan Mukhiya gang from Bihar.

According to the CBI officials, the probe had also shown that the guidelines laid down for opening the question paper boxes were not properly followed by the authorities in Hazaribagh.

However, according to reports on Friday, Haque has informed that the box carrying the question papers could not be opened because its digital lock, which was supposed to unlock automatically, malfunctioned. He also reportedly claimed that he contacted the NTA, which asked him to use a cutter to open the box.

The CBI has registered six FIRs in the case — one its own and others taken over from Bihar, Gujarat and Rajasthan.

Vikram Misri named new foreign secy, Kwatra in race for ambassador to US

YESHI SELI @New Delhi

DEPUTY National Security Advisor **Vikram Misri** is all set to take over as the next foreign secretary. He will replace Vinay Mohan Kwatra, who was given a six-month extension in service in March and is a frontrunner for the post of Ambassador to the US.

"Vikram Misri, an Indian Foreign Service 1989 batch officer, will be appointed as the next foreign secretary with effect from July 15," the Appointments Committee of Cabinet stated on Friday.

Misri, 59, known as a China expert, has served as a private secretary to three prime ministers including Narendra Modi, Dr Manmohan Singh and Inder Kumar Gujral.

As Ambassador to Beijing during 2019-21, he played a crucial role in contact with the Chinese government — specially after the military standoff in Ladakh at the Line of Actual Control in May 2020, in Galwan. He has also served as India's ambassador to Spain (2014-2016) and Myanmar (2016-2018) and also held positions in Indian missions in Belgium, Pakistan, the US, Sri Lanka and Germany.

Born in Srinagar, Misri graduated in History from Hindu College, Delhi University and also did an MBA from XLRI Jamshedpur. He took up his current role in the NSA in January 2022, where he reported to NSA Ajit Doval.

Meanwhile, sources point out that there is a possibility of India's Ambassador to France Jawed Ashraf filling in for Misri's position as Deputy NSA.

The government is also learnt to be in the process of appointing India's envoy to the US and New Delhi's permanent representative to the United Nations in New York.

Kwatra is expected to be the next Ambassador to the US, people familiar with the matter said. The post has been lying vacant since Taranjit Sandhu retired in January.

Jaishankar to represent India at SCO Summit in Astana on July 3 and 4

YESHI SELI @New Delhi

EXTERNAL Affairs Minister **S Jaishankar** will represent India at the upcoming Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit in Astana on July 3 and 4. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will skip the event, but is likely to visit Moscow on July 8 for the India-Russia Summit.

Kazakhstan has taken over the SCO presidency from India, which hosted a virtual SCO Summit last July. On June 25, Kazakhstan President had a telephonic conversation with Modi, during which the PM conveyed his full support.

Both the leaders reiterated their commitment to advancing bilateral strategic partnerships.

Foreign Affairs

The SCO is a political, economic and security organisation established in 2001. Its members are India, China, Russia, Pakistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Iran.

While India has not officially announced Modi's visit to Moscow, it has confirmed that preparations for the next India-Russia Summit are underway. "We have a very well-established bilateral summit arrangement with the Russian Federation. We have had 21 meetings between India and Russia so far. We are preparing to hold the next summit and will share the dates as soon as we can," Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal told this newspaper.

Reports also suggest that after visiting Russia, the Prime Minister will travel to Austria.

Meanwhile, reports from Russia indicate that Modi will be in Moscow on July 8.

There has been a gap in the India-Russia Summit, first due to Covid-19 pandemic and later due to the conflict between Russia and Ukraine.

Modi's visit to Moscow will be his second overseas trip this year, the first being to Italy, where he was invited to the G7 Summit as an observer country.

India debunks US human rights report, says 'misleading & biased'

YESHI SELI @New Delhi

INDIA on Friday debunked the US report on religious freedom, saying that the findings as in the past are biased and lack understanding of the nation's social fabric.

"The report is visibly driven by vote bank considerations and we therefore reject it. The exercise itself is a mix of imputation, misrepresentations, selective usage of facts, reliance of biased sources and one-sided projection of issues. It extends even to the issues of our constitutional provisions and duly enacted laws of India," said **Randhir Jaiswal**, spokesperson of the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

India also said that the US has witnessed vandalism of places of worship and accorded political space to advocates of extremism and terrorism abroad.

There have been incidents of attack and vandalism at Hindu temples in the US by pro-Khalistani outfits. In January this year, a Hindu temple in California was allegedly defaced with pro-Khalistan graffiti. On December 23, the Swaminarayan Mandir in Newark was defaced with pro-Khalistan slogans.

"On its own path the US has even more stringent laws and regulations and certainly does not prescribe for itself. Human rights and respect for diversity has been and will remain subject of discussion between India and the US. In 2023 India has taken up various cases of hate crimes and racial attacks of Indians and other minorities," said Jaiswal.

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"However, such dialogues should not become a licence for foreign interference in other polities," he said.

India also said that the report has selectively picked incidents to advance pre-conceived narrative as well. "In some cases, the very validity of laws and regulations are questioned by the report, as are the right of legislatures to enact them," Jaiswal said.

"The report tries to challenge the integrity of certain legal judgements given by the Indian court. Has also targeted regulations that monitor misuse of financial flows into India suggesting that burden of compliance is unreasonable and seeks to question the needs of measures," the MEA said.

India's response came to a US report of 2023 on religious freedom that was released by US Secretary of State Anthony Blinken on Wednesday.

The US State Department's 2023 report on religious freedom referred to violent attacks on minority communities in India including killings and assaults besides citing violence in the northeastern state of Manipur.

"In India we see a concerning increase in anti-conversion laws, hate speech, demolitions of homes and places of worship for members of minority communities," Blinken said while releasing the report.

Plan afoot to shed deadwood in govt depts after performance assessment

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @New Delhi

OBSERVING laxity on compliance with its directives, the Centre has asked all departments to enforce timely performance reviews of its employees with emphasis on identifying non-performers for their premature retirement from services.

The Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) has instructed the ministries to ensure strict adherence to guidelines aimed at maintaining efficiency and accountability.

"The rationale behind these reviews seems to be aimed at assessing whether employees meet the standards necessary for continued service in the public interest. This initiative is aligned with provisions outlined in the Fundamental Rules (FR)-56 (J)/(I) and Rule 48 of the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, now revised as Rule 42 of CCS (Pension) Rules, 2021," said an official familiar with the DoPT's order.

This directive applies to public sector undertakings, banks, autonomous institutions, and statutory bodies under the purview of various ministries.

"Despite repeated reminders to adhere to the guidelines, several ministries and departments have reportedly delayed or overlooked the reviews, thereby impeding the identification of employees eligible for premature retirement," the official said.

DoPT has directed the ministries to identify employees due for review submit their cases for consideration by the review committee. "The objective of this order is to bolster administrative efficiency and effectiveness at all levels of governance," another official said.

DoPT has mentioned in its order that instructions were more often than not issued for undertaking "periodic review of the government servants' performance" to ascertaining whether they "should be retained in service or retired from service prematurely, in public interest."

PERIODIC EXERCISE

- The Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) issues instructions to ministries to direct PSUs, banks, autonomous institutions and statutory bodies under their administrative control to periodically review their employees
- The exercise is to assess the performance of government servants with a view to ascertaining if they should be retained in service or retired prematurely in public interest
- The review is held under provisions of Fundamental Rules-56 (J)/(I) and Rule 48 of Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules (now, revised as Rule 42 of CCS (Pension) Rules, 2021)
- The ministries and departments are to adhere to the guidelines and furnish a report to the DoPT

NCRB teams to help rollout of 3 criminal laws

MUKESH RANJAN @New Delhi

AHEAD of rolling out the three newly enacted criminal laws replacing the British-era Indian Penal Code, the Code of Criminal Procedure and the Indian Evidence Act from July 1, sources in the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) said that National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) has formed 36 support teams and has set up call centres for a constant review and handholding of the states and Union Territories for their smooth implementation.

The sources said 40 lakh grassroots workers and 5.65 lakh police, prison, forensics, judicial and prosecution officials have been trained to create awareness about the new laws — the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam 2023.

They said since the new laws have put emphasis on the widespread use of new technology in investigation, trial and court proceedings, the NCRB has made 23 functional modifications in the existing Crime and Criminal Tracking Networks and Systems (CCTNS) application. The application is connected to almost all police stations in the country and the cases are now registered under this, they added.

The National Informatics Centre has also developed apps — eSakshya, NyayShruti and eSummon — for facilitating videography and photography of crime scenes, judicial hearings and delivery court summons electronically under the new criminal laws, they said.

Sources said the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D) has developed training modules for capacity building. These have been shared with states and UTs. On its own part, the BPR&D conducted 250 training courses, organised webinars and seminars in which 40,317 officers and personnel have been trained.

Sources also said that the iGOT-Karmayogi Bharat and BPR&D are offering three training courses each on the new criminal laws, for which 2,17,985 officials have enrolled.

As part of the MHA's efforts to make general public aware of the three new criminal laws, the ministries of women and child development, rural development and panchayati raj have been roped in and they undertook various measures, including conducting of webinars, in which nearly 40 lakh grassroots level functionaries participated, the sources said.

The Department of Legal Affairs under the Ministry of Law and Justice has also organised four conferences each in state capitals. Delegates from diverse fields, including the Chief Justice of India, Supreme Court and high court judges and domain experts took part.

TRAINING & PREPARATIONS

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Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita 2023 to replace Indian Penal Code

Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita '23 to replace Code of Criminal Procedure

Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam 2023 to replace Indian Evidence Act

eSakshya, NyayShruti and eSummon apps developed to facilitate videography and photography of crime scenes, judicial hearings and delivery of court summons electronically

CLOUDBURST IN J&K

A cloudburst caused flash floods in Thathri market of Jammu and Kashmir's Doda district, laying mudslides in several houses and the Batote-Kishtwar National Highway, leading to significant disruption in traffic.

2 YOUTHS KILLED IN ROAD MISHAP IN JHARKHAND

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Bhopal	43	28	Panaji	32	28
Jaipur	41	30	Patna	41	27
Amritsar	40	23	Lucknow	42	27
Chennai	39	30	Port Blair	34	28
Kolkata	36	26	Imphal	23	18
Srinagar	18	08	Chandigarh	42	23

■ Ruling alliance presents ₹6.12 lakh-crore Budget ■ Politics over Dalit votes intensifies ahead of 10-seat UP bye-elections

MahaYuti takes Maha step, will adopt Ladli Behna plan

The Budget is a torrent of assurances. Maharashtra is being looted, and those who are looting it will not be voted to power

Uddhav Thackeray

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

SMARTING under the Lok Sabha poll debacle and only a few months away from the Assembly elections, Maharashtra Finance Minister **Ajit Pawar** on Friday presented a ₹6.12 lakh-crore state Budget full of sops to pacify the disgruntled voters.

In the Lok Sabha elections, the BJP-led Mahayuti got 17 seats while Maha Vikas Aghadi's count climbed to 31.

The minister sought to borrow many schemes that are perceived to have paid rich dividends to the ruling parties in the neighbouring states. Taking a cue from Madhya Pradesh's Ladli Behna, the minister announced 'Maji Ladki Bahin Yojana' where eligible women aged between 21 and 60 years will get ₹1,500 per month. The other women-centric proposals are 'Pink E-Rickshaw' scheme, the 'CM's Annapurna Yojana' promising three free gas cylinders annually to 52 lakh families, 'Punyashlok Ahilyadevi startup scheme' for women entrepreneurs, interest repayment scheme for loans up to ₹15 lakh for women entrepreneurs, full reimbursement of educational and exam fees for girls from OBC and economically weaker sections for all professional courses starting this year.

The Opposition termed it an election Budget, similar to the one that was announced before the Lok Sabha polls.

"The people of Maharashtra rejected Modi's guarantee, so there is no question why they will believe in an unconstitutional government's Budget," said Uddhav Thackeray.

Pawar proposed a reduction in the current tax on diesel from 24% to 21% in areas falling under the municipal corporation of Mumbai, Thane and Navi Mumbai. Besides, the current tax rate on petrol at 26% plus ₹5.12 on per litre will be reduced to 25% and ₹5.12 paise per litre. Petrol will thus be cheaper by 65 paise while diesel will be cheaper by ₹2.07 in the Mumbai metropolitan region.

The subsidy of ₹5 per litre for milk producers in the state will continue, Pawar said. In the last Budget of the BJP-Shiv Sena-NCP government before the assembly elections, he also said that 18 new medical colleges will be set up in the state.

Insurance scheme

The minister announced 'One Rupee Crop Insurance Scheme', where ₹3,504.66 crore will be disbursed to 60 lakh farmers. Budget proposals show revenue receipts at ₹4.99 lakh crore, while revenue expenditure is at ₹5.19 lakh crore. The revenue deficit is ₹20,000 crore

Who will win Dalit votes — BSP or Azad — in bypolls?

It (bypolls) will give us an opportunity to expand our base in other parts of the state. The party will also contest bypolls in nagar panchayats

ASP leader

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

AFTER drawing a blank in the recent Lok Sabha polls, the Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP), in a departure from its long-standing stance, has decided to contest the upcoming assembly bypolls to 10 seats vacated during general elections in UP.

This has set the stage for a trial of strength among Dalit voters as the Bhim Army chief Chandrashekhar Azad-led Azad Samaj Party (ASP-Kanshiram) has also pulled up its socks to try its fate in bypolls which are likely to be held along with assembly elections to three states.

Emerging as a prominent Dalit leader by winning the Nagina Lok Sabha seat by a margin of over 1.5 lakh votes in his electoral debut against Om Kumar of the BJP, Chandrashekhar has appointed in-charges on four assembly seats - Khair (Aligarh), Meerapur (Muzaffarnagar), Kundarki (Moradabad) and Ghaziabad Sadar (Ghaziabad). On the rest of the seats mainly from central and eastern UP, including Milkipur (Ayodhya), Sisamau (Kanpur), Phulpur (Prayagraj), Katehri (Ambedkar Nagar), Manjhwa (Bhadohi) and Karhal (Mainpuri), he will appoint in-charges soon.

On the other hand, addressing her party leaders at a national level meeting in Lucknow recently, BSP chief Mayawati also made her intentions of

contesting the assembly bypolls in Uttar Pradesh clear.

The BSP chief said that she would field candidates on all 10 seats, of which, nine fell vacant after the election of sitting legislators to the Lok Sabha and Sisamau seat in Kanpur got vacant after the disqualification of sitting MLA Irfan Solanki who was convicted and sentenced by a local court in a criminal case.

Mayawati also made it clear that the party would go it alone in the bypolls.

With Azad leading the ASP campaign, the fight for Dalit votes between both Dalit-based parties — BSP and ASP — will intensify in UP.

Buoyed by the Nagina success, the ASP has also decided to go solo in the bypolls, said the party sources. "It will give an opportunity to us to expand our base in other parts of the state as well," says a senior ASP leader.

Dalit politics

The assembly bypolls to 10 seats vacated during the general election in UP are due in July 10. Chandrashekhar Azad emerged as a prominent Dalit leader by winning the Nagina LS seat by a margin of over 1.5 lakh votes in his electoral debut against BJP.

CHANDIGARH DIARY

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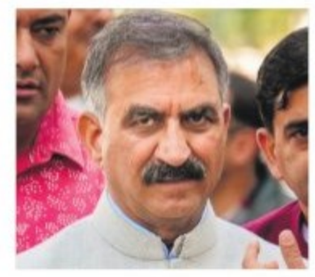
Punjab DGP forced to clarify

Punjab DGP Gaurav Yadav had to step in to manage the fallout after Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, at a recent press conference, mentioned that the transfer of 10,000 police personnel across the state was aimed at breaking the "police-smuggler nexus." This statement did not go down with the state police personnel, prompting DGP Yadav to clarify that these transfers were made on "administrative grounds." He explained that the transfers were to relocate personnel who had served over eight years in the same police station, as per policy. Yadav said that implying the transfer on suspicion would tarnish their careers.



Sukhu move may firm up his position in Kangra

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has strategically fielded his wife, Kamlesh Thakur, from the Dehra assembly segment for the upcoming bypolls. This move has surprised both the internal leaders within the Congress and the opposition BJP. By doing so, Sukhu aims to address internal conflicts within the Congress and ensure his dominance in the party. Kamlesh Thakur's potential victory would strengthen CM Sukhu's influence in the politically crucial Kangra district. Of the six seats set for bypolls, Congress had won four in the last assembly polls.

Hooda's olive branch to his critic Kumari Selja

Former Chief Minister and Leader of Opposition Bhupinder Singh Hooda recently extended an olive branch to his critic and party colleague, Kumari Selja. At a workers' meeting in Uchana, Hooda referred to Selja as "Selja Behen" and highlighted that Jind is the only district with three MPs. Despite Selja's previous criticisms of Hooda, where she suggested that better feedback to the high command and less self-centered politics could have led to the party winning all ten Lok Sabha seats from Haryana, Hooda's respectful address marks a shift. Both Hooda and Selja have had a strained relationship and were not seen together in the campaign.

Now, non-Kuki groups take out rally in Imphal

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Guwahati

DAYS after the Kuki-Zo tribals in Manipur had taken out a rally in Churachandpur town demanding Union Territory for the community, thousands of people from Meitei and other non-Kuki communities hit the streets of Imphal on Friday opposing any division of the state. The "save Manipur rally" was organised by the coordinating committee on Manipur Integrity which is a conglomerate of various civil society organisations.

The participants shouted slogans against illegal migration of people from neighbouring Myanmar, drug smuggling, militancy and encroachment of forest lands. They demanded the protection of Manipur's territorial integrity and indigenous communities, National Register of Citizens and the scrapping of all peace agreements signed with the myriad Kuki-Zo insurgent groups.

The participants held placards which read "save indigenous and rightful citizens of India", "no separate administration", "save territorial integrity of Manipur" etc. On June 24, Kuki-Zo group ITLF had petitioned home minister Amit Shah, urging him to expedite the political solution.

BJP leader's b'day bash clip in police station goes viral

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA
@ Ahmedabad

POLITICAL tensions in Gujarat escalated on Friday after a video of a BJP leader's birthday celebration at a police station went viral on social media. In the video, DCP Kanan Desai of Zone-4 in Ahmedabad can be seen celebrating BJP leader Himanshu Chauhan's birthday in the presence of police personnel and folk artiste Yogesh Gadvi in a police station.

Accusing the BJP government of misconduct, Congress leaders extensively shared the video on their social media accounts, asking the ruling party, "Is the police station becoming an office of the BJP?"

Officers acting like employees of Kamalam (BJP's office in Gujarat) have transformed police station into Kamalam. This behaviour focused on publicity instead of protecting public, is a disgrace to the people of the state

Amit Chavda, LoP, Gujarat Assembly

Leader of Congress party in the Assembly Amit Chavda posted the video with a caption stating, "Officers acting like employees of Kamalam (BJP's office in Gujarat) have transformed the police station into Kamalam. This behaviour focused on PR-publicity instead of protecting the public, is a disgrace to the people of the state. Are police stations funded by tax money meant to maintain law and order or to serve as Kamalam's party halls? The government must answer."

Former Congress president Jagdish Thakor said, "The BJP government is making special arrangements for birthday celebrations at police stations for BJP workers and leaders in Gujarat. A birthday celebration for a BJP leader was organized in the presence of the DCP at the Daryapur police station."

The Ahmedabad police issued a clarification stating that some incorrect information is being circulated to malign their image. "On June 23, a blood donation camp promoting Hindu-Muslim unity was organized in the Daryapur Police Station area ahead of the Rath Yatra in Ahmedabad. The gathering was not intended to celebrate anyone's birthday," a police statement said.

Official guilty of fund misuse after 38 years

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

A special vigilance court on Friday sentenced a former assistant engineer to four-year imprisonment in connection with an embezzlement of ₹20,000 during the repair of a canal in West Champaran district 38 years ago.

Headed by Satya Prakash Shukla, the court also imposed a penalty of about 10,000, failing which the convict has to serve an additional three-month jail term. Patna resident Surendra Nath Verma, now 76, was taken into custody immediately and sent it judicial custody in the Beur central jail near Patna. Verma is the lone survivor among the four named accused in the case lodged with the special vigilance police station, Patna.

The defalcation in repair work on Triveni canal under Ramnagar division in West Champaran district took place in 1986-87. A contract of about 3 crore for the repair work was awarded to a contractor Sammi Khan. However, gross irregularities were reported in the earth-filling and other related work. A senior IPS officer DP Ojha, then posted as deputy inspector general at the police headquarters, was assigned the probe into defalcation of public money.

Drug haul in Punjab as opium from J'khand, heroin from Pak seized

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

PUNJAB police on Friday said they have busted an interstate drug smuggling syndicate operating from Jharkhand and arrested two men besides seizing 66 kg of opium.

Police have also busted two cross-border drug smuggling cartels being operated by Pakistan-based smugglers with the arrest of three drug traffickers after recovering 9.2 kg heroin from them. DGP Gaurav Yadav said, "The opium was concealed in a specially designed and fabricated compartment fitted underneath a Maruti Swift car."

Yadav said those arrested have been identified as Sukhyad Singh and Jagraj Singh from Ferozepur. Apart from recovering opium, police teams also recovered ₹40,000 cash, 400 grams gold from their possession.

He said investigation has resulted in unearthing 42 bank accounts being used for financial transactions by the opium syndicate. "Following a financial trail in less than 24 hours, the Fazilka police has frozen all the 42 bank accounts with ₹1.86 crore of drug proceeds," the DGP said.

Sharing operation details, Fazilka SSP Pragya Jain said they received inputs that the accused would return from Jharkhand to Dalmir Khera village via Sri Ganganagar in their Swift car carrying opium. A police party intercepted the vehicle and arrested the accused.

The DGP said the Fazilka Police has also initiated the process of property forfeiture under 68F of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act. On the busting of heroin smugglers, DGP said, "Police teams from Chheharta police station in Amritsar apprehended two drug smugglers in Rajasansi area and recovered 8.2 kg of heroin from their possession."

Those arrested have been identified as Bachitar Singh of Jathaul village in Amritsar and Sunny from Guru ki Wadali in Chheharta. In another case, Yadav said that acting on intelligence inputs, police teams from Ranjit Avenue police station arrested Amandeep Singh and recovered 1kg of heroin.

UTTARAKHAND

Van panchayats can take steps to check forest fires

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

IN the wake of the devastating forest fires this year, the Uttarakhand government has made a significant move to prevent future incidents.

For the first time since independence, the forest panchayats of Uttarakhand have been granted authority, with the Sarpanch of each area now holding the title of designated forest officer.

This decision reflects a crucial lesson learned from the recent calamities and aims to enhance forest management and protection efforts in the region.

In the past, forest authorities were responsible for filing cases related to illegal activities such as tree felling, timber smuggling, and illegal mining. However, with the recent amendment to the Forest Panchayat Rules, the Sarpanch of the Forest Panchayat now has the authority to initiate legal action similar to that of forest officers. This change is expected to enhance efforts in curbing forest crimes, as per the views of forest officials.

Speaking to the daily, Dr Parag Madhukar Dhakate, Chief Conservator of Forests for forest Panchayat, stated, "The state has 11,217 Van Panchayats, with the Uttarakhand Forest Panchayat Rules established in 2005 to streamline their operations.

Subsequently revised in 2012 and most recently in March 2024, the latest revision introduces new provisions."

CCF Dr Dhakate further informed, "The Sarpanch will also have the right to issue transit permits for actual use of forest wealth."

Govt offices can't refuse CCTV footage: Info panel

Fine of ₹25,000

State Information Commissioner Yogesh Bhatt has imposed a fine of ₹25,000 on the public information officer of the district of Haridwar for not providing the CCTV footage. Roorkee resident Udayveer Singh had sought the recording of CCTV in the Haridwar office on May 25.

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

OBTAINING CCTV footage comes under the ambit of the Right to Information Act, so no department can deny it to an applicant unless it threatens security and sovereignty, Uttarakhand State Information Commissioner Yogesh Bhatt has said.

While delivering his order in a case, Bhatt has imposed a fine of ₹25,000 on the public information officer of the district supply office of Haridwar for not providing the CCTV footage.

Roorkee resident Udayveer Singh had sought the recording of the CCTV camera installed in the Haridwar office from 10 am to 3 pm on May 25. Public information officer Poonam Saini had cited section 8(1)(g) of the RTI Act and said that there is no compulsion to give information.

"The video footage sought should be separately preserved before refusal to furnish information citing Section (8) of the RTI…There is no justification for refusing to hand over the footage under the RTI to the applicant without preserving it," Bhatt said.

He said, "CCTV footage constitutes an electronic record accessible in digital format, and as such, cannot be denied upon request unless it poses a threat to the sovereignty, security, or personal safety of the state."

Ask husbands to drink at home if you want them to quit alcohol: MP minister

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bhopal

ASK husbands to drink at home, if you want them to quit drinking alcohol," a Madhya Pradesh minister has advised women for getting their better-halves free from alcoholism.

Addressing a public awareness program about the Nasha Mukti (freedom from addiction) campaign in the state capital Bhopal on Friday, the minister for social justice Narayan Singh Kushwah said, "Female members of families hold the key to the success of this campaign. They should ask their husbands to bring liquor and drink and eat before them in the house instead of drinking outside. Drinking before her (wife) will lead to gradual reduction in drinking limit, as he (husband) will feel ashamed drinking in front of wife and children. Then tell him (husband) that drinking habits will have the same effect on the children. This all will gradually lead to the men leaving drinking habits completely out of regular embarrassment before family at

home," Kushwah said.

He further advised the women to not give food to the male members when they return home drunk. "Instead show them Belan (rolling pin). The women should form strong Belan Gang communities, which work proactively at making men quit drinking, by showing them Belan (rolling pin)."

Kushwah is the third time BJP MLA from Gwalior South seat of Gwalior district.

The minister's advice to the women in Bhopal on Friday, revived the 2017 memories of the senior most MP minister of then BJP government, Gopal Bhargava having gifted washing bats (mogaris) to newly married brides at a mass marriage function to keep a check on their husbands if they indulged in drinking alcohol.

At the mass marriage ceremony of 700 couples on the festival of Akshaya Tritiya in his Garhakota town of Sagar district, the minister gifted each bride mogaris (washing bats). While one side of the bats read in blue "sharabiyon ke sudhar hetu bhent" (a gift to reform the drunkards) the reverse side read in the red "police nahi bolegi" (police won't interfere).

"Illicit liquor is a big menace in the state and sans public participation, the government alone cannot put it under check. The bats are a symbolic gift to the newly married daughters to use effectively against the alcoholics. And at the target of these brides would be all alcoholics, spanning from husband to everyone else. Use this below on those who indulge in alcoholism," Bhargava had said.

Debts Recovery Tribunal - II, Bengaluru, 4th Floor, BSNL Building, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru 560001.

FORM NO. 14
[See Regulation 33(2)]
By Regd. A/D, Dasti failing which by Publication

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993 AND RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961.

RC/490/2023 IN OA NO. 258/2020
BANK OF BARODA
Versus
M/S EMINENCE HOSPITALITY COMPANY
A PARTNERSHIP FIRM REP BY ITS PARTNERS D2 AND D3 MR.RAVIKUMAR UMASHANKAR AND MRS DEVIKA H. AND OTHERS

To,
(CH) BANK OF BARODA BANASHANKARI BRANCH, NO.6 AND 7, 80 FEET ROAD, OPP SRINIVASANAGAR BUS STOP, BANASHANKARI 1ST STAGE, BANGALORE-560050 KARNATAKA.

....CERTIFICATE HOLDER
VS
(CD 1) M/S EMINENCE HOSPITALITY COMPANY A PARTNERSHIP FIRM REP BY ITS PARTNERS D2 AND D3 MR.RAVIKUMAR UMASHANKAR AND MRS DEVIKA H.. R/AT NO. 76/A, 1ST FLOOR VANIVILAS ROAD BASAVANAGUDI BANGALORE KARNATAKA 560004.
(CD 2) SRI RAVIKUMAR UMASHANKAR PARTNER OF M/S EMINENCE HOSPITALITY COMPANY S/O RAVIKUMAR R/AT NO 898/1 2ND FLOOR 19TH MAIN BSK II STAGE BANGALORE, KARNATAKA -560070.
(CD 3) SMT. DEVIKA H, PARTNER OF M/S EMINENCE HOSPITALITY COMPANY W/O MR UMASHANKAR RAVIKUMAR R/AT NO 898/1 2ND FLOOR 19TH MAIN BSK II STAGE BANGALORE,KARNATAKA -560070

....CERTIFICATE DEBTORS.
This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursuance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BANGALORE (DRT 2) in OA/258/2020 an amount of Rs 9952380 (Rupees Ninety Nine Lakhs Fifty Two Thousands Three Hundred Eighty Only) along with pendentellite and future interest @ 12 % Compound Interest Monthly w.e.f. 27/01/2020 till realization and costs of Rs 102005 (Rupees One Lakh Two Thousand Five Only) has become due against you jointly and severally.
2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 and Rules there under.
3. You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of yours assets on or before the next date of hearing.
4. "You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, for further proceedings".
(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due
Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal. on this date: 03/01/2024
Note: Attention is invited to Rule 16 to the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act. 1961 read with Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993(Amended from time to time) which is reproduced as under: "Rule 16(1) where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the debts recovery officer nor shall be any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.
2. Where an attachment has been made under this schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter or any debt, divided or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment.
3. You are also liable to disclose your assets both movable and immovable to this Tribunal along with the Income Tax Returns of last 5 years

Recovery Officer
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL
BANGALORE (DRT 2)

COPY TO :-
BANK OF BARODA + BANASHANKARI BRANCH
You are directed that the payment made, if any, by the Certificate Debtor(s) be credited to the consolidated account of all debts due in this case from the Certificate Debtor(s) and the Recovery Officer kept posted with the payment position regularly.
The consolidated account so maintained will be subject to the verification of the recovery officer. you are further directed to submit an up to date statement of the total claim in respect of the above matter and full details of property particulars wherefrom the recovery of the debt is to be made.

Debts Recovery Tribunal - II, Bengaluru, 4th Floor, BSNL Building, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru 560001.

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DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993 AND RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961.
RC/382/2023 IN OA NO. 1832/2020

BANK OF BARODA
Versus
MR UDAYA KUMAR SHETTYT B AND ANOTHER

TO,
(CH) BANK OF BARODA NO. 41/2, M,G. ROAD, TRINITY CIRCLE BANGALORE KARNATAKA-560001.

...CERTIFICATE HOLDER
VS
(CD 1) MR UDAYA KUMAR SHETTY TB. S/O SRI BHOJA SHETTY NO. 61/1 SRI RANGA, 3RD CROSS, SBM COLONY, BANASHANKARI 1ST STAGE BANGALORE KARNATAKA -560050.
(CD 2) MRS.SOUMYA UDAYA KUMAR W/O SRI UDAYA KUMAR SHETTY T.B RAT NO 61/1 SRIRANGA 3 RD CROSS SBM COLONY BANASHAKARI 1ST STAGE BANGALORE. KARNATAKA-560050.
(CD 3) M/S PRUTHVI BUILDERS AND DEVELOPERS REP BY ITS MANAGING PARTNER SRIP. SHANKAR AND SMT. NAGAVENI HAVING ITS REGE OFFICE AT NO 65 VINAYAKA TOWER 1ST FLOOR 8TH B MAIN JAYANAGAR BANGALORE, KARNATAKA -560011.

...CERTIFICATE DEBTORS
This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursuance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BANGALORE (DRT 2) in OA/1832/2020 an amount of Rs 3907238.00 (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Seven Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Eight Only) along with pendentellite and future interest @ 12% Compound Interest Monthly w.e.f. 10/11/2020 till realization and costs of Rs 42255 (Rupees Forty Two Thousands Two Hundred Fifty Five Only) has become due against you jointly and severally.
2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 and Rules there under.
3. You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of yours assets on or before the next date of hearing.
4. "You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, for further proceedings".
5. In addition to the som aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay:
(a) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the certificate/execution proceedings
(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date: 14/11/2023
Note: Attention is invited to Rule 16 to the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act, 1961 read with Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993(Amended from time to time) which is reproduced as under: "Rule 16(1) where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the debts recovery officer nor shall be any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.
2. Where an attachment has been made under this schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter or any debt, divided or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment.
3. You are also liable to disclose your assets both movable and immovable to this Tribunal along with the Income Tax Returns of last 5 years.

Recovery Officer,
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL
BANGALORE (DRT 2).

COPY TO BANK OF BARODA
You are directed that the payment made, if any, by the Certificate Debtor(s) be credited to the consolidated account of all debis due in this case from the Certificate Debtor(s) and the Recovery Officer kept posted with the payment position regularly.
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BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (South Zone), BBMP, South Zone, 9th Cross, 9th Main, Jayanagar, 2nd Block, Bengaluru - 560011.

No: BBMP/SADH/PR/TENDER/03/2024-25 Date: 28-06-2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)

The Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (South Zone), BBMP, Bengaluru invites item rate Tenders from eligible Contractors / Firms registered in BBMP or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railway / MES / National Highway or any State Government Organizations and License Holder from Labour Department for the Work / Service as detailed below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work / Service
1	Providing Security Services to Parks in Padmanabhanagara Assembly Constituency (Yediyur Ward No.188). **(Call-2) - Approximated Amount of Work / Service (in Rs.): 1,19,33,659/-, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 2,00,000/-**

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender documents can be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. 2)** Date of Pre Bid Meeting on **10-07-2024 at 11.00 AM at the Office of the Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (South Zone), Bengaluru - 560011. 3)** Last Date for Tender Queries: **20-07-2024 upto 4.00 PM. 4)** Last Date for Receipt of Tender is **20-07-2024 upto 4.00 PM. 5)** Date of Opening of Technical Bid is **22-07-2024 at 4.30 PM. 6)** Date of Opening of Financial Bid: **After Approval of Technical Bid.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (South Zone), BBMP.

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT DIVISION, VIJAYAPUR.

I.F.T.No:EE/PWD/VJP/PB/5054 & 4059/2024-25/0814
Dated:26.06.2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION (E-Procurement)

The- **Executive Engineer, Public Works Dept. Division,Vijayapur** Invites tenders from eligible tenderers (registered in Public Works Department) Total 5 works, As per standard bid documents KW-3 and 4 with 5054- and 4059 head of account costing of amount for Rs. 100.00 Lakhs to 200.00 Lakhs respectively, the EMD amount of Rs.2,00,000.00 to 3,00,000.00 for the works. Any Increase in G.S.T shall not be paid in the extended period of Contract for which the contractor alone is responsible for delay as determined by the authority while granting the extension of time. The calendar events of tenders, dates are fixed as follows (1) Pre-Bid Meeting for Contractors Date- 06-07-2024 upto 11.00 AM (2) Last Date for Receipt of Tenders Date-15-07-2024 upto 4.30 PM. (3) Opening of Technical Bid Date-16-07-2024 at 4.31PM (4) Opening of Financial Bid Date-18-07-2024 at 11.00 AM. Clause-3 Conditions of Standard Bid Document may be seen in Departmental Website i.e "https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in" and for more information may contact help desk Bangalore (Phone No. +91 80 46010000, +91 80 68948777) or office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Vijayapur

DIPR/VIJAYAPURA/61/KSMCA/2024-25

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No:CEE/SLDC/SEEE/EE/AEE-1/2024-25/1565-69 Date:27.06.2024

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPPP mode only)

KPTCL invites bids against Enquiry Nos:

(1) KPTCL/CEE/SLDC/SEE/EE/AEE-1/HK-001/2024-25 for Providing Housekeeping Services**[The entire property of KPTCL SLDC comprising of parking area + Garden + Ground floor + 1st floor and MCC1 (SLDC Control Room) + MCC2 on 1st floor of 220kV "A" station + REMC office on 2nd floor of 220kV "A" station]** to O/o CEE, SLDC office complex & premises , SLDC Control room, SCADA and REMC located at #28, Racecourse cross road, Bengaluru and to O/o SEE, TBC, KPTCL and associate office located at #39,Shanthi Gruha,3rd Floor, Bharat Scouts & Guides Building, Palace Road,Bangalore-01 for a period of 24 Months.

(2) KPTCL/CEE/SLDC/SEE/EE/AEE-1/OA-002/2024-25 for Providing Manpower services of **11Nos. of Office Attendants** required at O/o CEE, SLDC, KPTCL & its associated offices , Bengaluru for a period of **12 Months.**

The bids will be received through KPP portal only. The details regarding the subject enquiry in the E Procurement portal can be obtained by logging on to **htpp://kppp.Karnataka.gov.in on or after 3:00 PM on 29.06.2024.** Any details required in this regard can also be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/-Chief Engineer, Electricity., State Load Despatch Centre, KPTCL, 28, Race Course Road, Bengaluru-09. Ph: 080-22267034.

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E-Auction Sale Proclamation Notice under SARFAESI ACT 2002

Sale of immovable asset under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as the Act).

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s in particular that the under mentioned property is mortgaged / charged to the secured creditor, being **IndusInd Bank Limited,** the possession of under mentioned property had been taken by the Authorised Officer of the **IndusInd Bank Limited** under S. 13(4) of the Act will be sold by E- Auction as mentioned below for recovery of under mentioned dues and applicable interest, charges and costs etc. as detailed below.

The property described below is being sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** under the rule No.8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules (hereinafter referred to as the rules) for the recovery of the dues detailed as under:

Names of Borrower: M/s. Kunal Concepts India Private Limited
Co-Borrowers/Guarantors: 1) Mr. Sarkar Prabal, 2) Mrs. Lipi Sarkar
Total Amount Due as on 31.05.2024: Rs. 2,26,31,037.51 (Rupees Two Crore Twenty-Six Lakhs Thirty-One Thousand Thirty-Seven and Paisa Fifty-One)
Nature of Possession: Possession
Date and time of E-Auction: 29/07/2024, 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Reserve Price: Rs. 49,50,000/- (Rupees Forty-Nine Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only)
EMD: Rs.4,95,000/- (Rupees Four Lakhs Ninety-Five Thousand only) RTGS/NEFT/ Fund Transfer to the credit of **"IndusInd Bank Ltd", Account No. 00083564604005**
Bid Increment: Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only)
Mode of Auction: E-AUCTON
Description of secured asset: Apartment bearing No.306 in 'A' Block, Third Floor "AQUA-1" situated at Kannamangala village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore District, measuring 1145 Sq.ft., and (331 Sq.ft., of undivided right) of super built-up area inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use with One (1) covered Car parking space.
Date of Inspection: 26/07/2024 between 11:00 AM to 01:00 PM. Please Contact **Mr. Jansi Rao-9886090570, Mr. Vishal Rajvansh-7903439576, Authorised Officer Mr. Ravindar Jatothu, Mob: 8688709890, ravindar.jatothu@indusind.com**
Last Date of Submission of bids (E-auction): 28/07/2024 up to 04:00 PM

This publication is also a **Thirty (30) days notice** to the aforementioned borrower/guarantors under Rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Secured Creditors Website i.e, **https://www.indusindbank.com,** regarding E-Auction/ sale of respective property and other details before submitting their bids for taking part in the E -Auction. Bidders may also visit the website **https://www.bankeauctions.com.**

Place: Bangalore, Date: 28-06-2024 Sd/- Authorised Officer, IndusInd Bank Ltd.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby notified that my Client Sri. Ganeswara Rao Mukkamala S/o. Sri. M. Venkatala Sastry is the owner of Schedule Property morefully described in the Schedule. My client has purchased the Schedule Property from its previous Owner namely Sri. Uday Shankar N. However, the previous owner Sale Deed dated 24/03/2005 bearing Document No. KEN-1-48001-2004-05, Book-I, CD No. KEND195, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Kengeri, Bangalore is lost during the transit by my client. In spite of best efforts by my client the Sale Deed was not found. Any person/s having any claims or objections regarding the aforesaid Sale Deed can send / raise their objections with all supporting documents to the undersigned within a period of 7 days from this day.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

3 BHK Residential Apartment bearing No.13, on the Second Floor in Block- 12, **'BHAVAPRIYA NANDI GARDENS"** constructed on Schedule 'B' Property, measuring 1250 square feet of super built up area, along with **One Covered** car parking, together with 4.14% of undivided, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'B' Property, equivalent to 311.87 square feet.

Sd/- **SHILPA V HATTI,** ADVOCATE
No. 43, II Floor, AGB Layout 2nd Stage, 5th Cross, Maruthinagar, Nandini Layout, Bangalore -560 096. (M) : 79960 37016

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to the General Public that our Mr Sachin Bansal s/o Sat Prakash Agarwal is the owner of Apartment no.010(duplex 110) on the ground and first floor of the said building Block no. G ie., SPURCE in REHEJA Residency having a saleable area of 2105 sq fts and also exclusive right of use of 51 + 51A no.s of Car Parking space in the basement adjacent to the aforesaid building (typical Floor plan pertaining to the apartment is annexed Hereto) situated at G block, Koramangala ,3rd Block, Bangalore 560 034 . Original sale deed dated 9/2/2011 registered in book I bearing No.BMH-1-08617-2010-11 STORED IN CD NO. BMHD465 dated 9/2/2011 registered at senior Sub registrar Bommanahalli and original sale deed dated 10/12/2003 registered in Book I , bearing no. 17852/03-04 and stored in CD no. 123 dated 6/1/2004 registered in sub Registrar Bangalore South Taluk are lost .A lost report is lodged in NO. 1118871/2024 dated 27/6/2024 before police .If any person find the records, kindly contact with records within 7 days from the date of notice.

S.Y Kumbar & Shivashankar S.K
Advocates & Legal Consultants
#104/1, 'Shivaganga' Ground Floor, 1st D Main, Jakkasandra, Koramangala 1st Block, Bangalore-560034
Cell No.9900722771

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

This is to notify the general public that we **Pratham Kirtikumar Maliwad** and **Monila Pratham Maliwad**, residing at B-804, Jain Heights East Parade, Ward No.81, L. Narayan Reddy Main Road, Vignan Nagar, Kaggadasapura, Bengaluru - 560075 had purchased the Schedule Property vide Sale Deed dated 25.07.2018 registered before the Senior Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar, Bengaluru with Document No. SHV-1-02808-2018-19, stored in C.D. No. SHVD276. We have misplaced / lost the original Sale Deed and we could not trace the Original Sale Deed despite our diligent efforts and we have reported the same before the Karnataka State Police and an e-Lost report vide Lost Report No. 118457/2024 is registered on 27.06.2024. In case above original Sale Deed is traced, please return it to us, at the aforesaid address.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Apartment B-804, in 'B' Block, 2.5 BHK, in Eighth Floor of the apartment building 'Jain Heights - East Parade' constructed in Sy.No. 72/1 and 72/2, situated at Kaggadasapura Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and Sy.No. 160/2, situated at Vibhutipura Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, (BBMP Khata No.15/72/1).

LOST OF DOCUMENT

The General Public are hereby notify that my client **Smt. Nagarathnamma,** W/o Chikkanarayanaswamy, aged about 50 years, Residing at No. 147, 4th Cross, Kundalahalli Colony, ITPL main road, Bengaluru-560037, have lost original Hakku Patra issued in favour of Sri. Thundappa, S/o Chikkapoojappa, issued by Ashraya Scheme, by Government of Karnataka for the site No. 12, carved out of Sy. No. 126, Kundalahalli Village, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru, measuring 30X40, totally measuring 1200 sq.ft bounded on: **East by :** Site No. 11, **West by :** Site No.13, **North by :** Site No.9, and **South by :** Road. In this regard a complaint has been lodged to the concerned Police on 27.06.2024. If any person/s find the said documents please inform me or contact me as said address mentioned below. If any person/s misused the said document the same is not binding on my client and they shall do so at their own risk.

HVR VEERESH, Advocate
RC 22, Pruksa Silivana Villas, Budigere Cross, Bengaluru-560049.
Mob: 8861587450.

Government of Karnataka
Department of Agriculture
OFFICE OF THE JOINT DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE, DISTRICT : KALABURAGI
Phone No.: 08472-278630 Email id : jdakalaburagi@gmail.com

No.: JDA.Klbg/Tender-Out Source/3/24-25 Date: 28-06-2024

:: SHORT TERM TENDER ::

Agriculture Department is implementing various Development programmes in the state. The Department intends to outsource certain categories of manpower through duly registered, Manpower Servicing Agencies. Hence Joint Director of Agriculture, Kalaburagi invites short term tenders through Government of Karnataka's e-procurement portal as per below Details.
1) Tender invitation publishing number & Date: Tech/Outsource/e-tender/2024-25 Date: **26-06-2024,** 2) Total Amount earmarked for Tender : **64.00 lack (Including GST),** 3) Last date for uploading tender of interest in the prescribed format on e-procurement portal: **08-07-2024 up to 04.00 PM**, 4) Time and date of opening of the technical bid: **10-07-2024 at 04.30 PM (Afternoon),** 5) Time and date of opening of the Financial bid: Will be intimated later, 6) EMD Amount: Rs.1,28,000/-, 7) Address for any clarification: Joint Director of Agriculture, Kalaburagi, ph no:08472-278630, E-mail:jdakalaburagi@gmail.com, 8) Contact E-mail Address for any technical information about e-tender : https://kppp.karnataka.govt.in

Sd/- Joint Director of Agriculture Kalaburagi

DIPR/Kalaburagi/136/KSMC&A/2024-25

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Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties (Appendix IV-A

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/s & Guarantor/s that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to Bank of Maharashtra, the possession of which have been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Maharashtra, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **16.07.2024**, for recovery of the balance due to the Bank of Maharashtra from the Borrower(s) as mentioned in the table. Details of Borrower/s & Guarantor/s, amount due, Short description of the immovable property and encumbrances known thereon, possession type, reserve price and the earnest money deposit are also given as under –

Sr. No.	Name and address of Borrower/s & Guarantor/s	Outstanding dues as on 25.06.2024	Short description of immovable property Possession Type Encumbrances known to the bank		Reserve Price Earnest Money Deposit
1.	**Asset Recovery Branch (M-8292940000)** **Borrower:** **Mrs. Florance Aron** **W/o S Harry Aron** No.604, SMR Vinay Regency, Next to ASR Convention Hall, Banaswadi, Bengaluru-560 043 **Guarantor:** **Mr. S Harry Aron** No.604, SMR Vinay Regency, Next to ASR Convention Hall, Banaswadi, Bengaluru-560 043	**Rs.58,97,291.00 (Rupees Fifty Eight Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Two Hundred Ninety One Only)** plus further interest w.e.f. 26.06.2024 plus all costs, penalty, charges and expenses or other incidental charges thereof.	All that piece and parcel of 2 BHK Residential property (land & building) bearing Flat No.407, 4th Floor in the project named "DS Max Solitaire" with super built-up area 1020 sq. ft. consisting of Living room, Dinning Hall, Kitchen, two bed rooms, one common bathroom and one attached bathroom with one car parking at stilt with undivided share of the land admeasuring 298 sq. ft. lying and situated at Banzar Layout, Horamavu, Near Agara Lake, K R Puram Hobli, Bengaluru-560 043 and the Flat is butted and bounded as follows-On or towards North : By Flat No.408, On or towards South : By Flat No.406, On or towards East : By Lobby & Lift, On or towards West : By Open Space. **Physical** / **NIL**	**Rs.43.12 Lakh** **Rs.4.31 Lakh**

- **Date of E-Auction & Time: 16/07/2024 between 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm.**
- **Property Inspection Date & Time: 11/07/2024, 12/07/2024 & 15/07/2024 with prior appointment.**
- **Last Date & Time for submission of Bid/EMD : 15/07/2024 upto 5.00 pm.**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in website of Bank of Maharashtra i.e. "https://www.bankofmaharashtra.in/properties for sale"; "https://ibapi.in", and "www.mstcecommerce.com".

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The borrower/s and guarantor/s above named are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to dated interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date : 28.06.2024 | Place : Bangalore **Sd/-, Authorized Officer Bank of Maharashtra, ARC, Bangalore Zone**

AXIS BANK

Plot No. 41, Seshadri Road, Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore-560009

DEMAND NOTICE

A notice is hereby given that the following borrowers have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of credit facilities obtained by them from the bank and said facilities have turned in to Non-performing Assets. The notices were issued to them under section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002 on their last known addresses, however the same have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of the Borrower	Schedule Property	Notice Date	Bal. O/S (Claimed) in Rs.
1	**1) M/s. Adinath Marketing Represented By Mr. Utsav Chauhan** S/o Tekchand Jain Ashok Kumar, R/o at No.44/1, 3rd Main Road, 4th Cross, opposite to corporation bank Chamarajapete, Bangalore-560018. **Also At: M/s. Adinath Marketing Represented By Mr. Utsav Chauhan** S/o Tekchand Jain Ashok Kumar 1, 2nd and 3rd Floor, No.354/1, Avenue Road, Bangalore, Karnataka-560002 **(Borrower/Mortgager)** 2) **Mr. Ashok Kumar Jain** S/o. Mr. Jain Teckchand. Residing at No.44/1, 3rd Main Road, 4th Cross, opposite to corporation bank Chamarajapete, Bangalore-560018.	**Schedule:** All that part and parcel of the commercial property bearing Bangalore Mahanagara Plaice No.345 (Old Property No.314, earlier 310) situated at Avenue Road, Bangalore measuring site East to West 25 feet (7.6 meters) and North to South 12 feet (3.6 meters) totaling 300 square feet having ground floor shop, first shop, second floor shop, third floor shop and fourth floor open terrace and bounded as follows: East By Private property No.92,93 and 94, West By: Avenue Road, North By: Private property No.315, South By: Private property No.346. Entire first floor, second floor and third floor shop building measuring East to West 25 feet and North to South 12 feet, totaling 300 Square feet in each floor together with the undivided right and interest in the land along with stairs case bearing RCC door No.345 (old property No.314, earlier No.310) situated at Avenue Road, Bangalore and bounded as follows: East By Private property No.92,93 and 94, West By: Avenue Road, North By Private property No.315 South By: Private property No.346. **For any clarification please contact Mr. K Muthu Kumar, 9844292936**	**06.06.2024** **NPA Date 29.07.2022**	**Loan No. 920060048024238 Working Capital Term Loan, Rs.20,00,000/-** **Amount Rs.15,33,771.51** **Loan No. 918030091535532 Overdraft, Rs.1,15,00,000/-** **Amount Rs.1,16,72,252/-** **Grand Total Amount Rs. 1,32,06,023/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty Two lakhs Six Thousand Twenty Three Only) due as on 30.06.2022**

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrowers and/ or the guarantors (where ever applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice as per the provision of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002. Please note that under Section 13(13) of the said Act, no Borrower shall, after Receipt of Notice referred to in Sub-section (2), transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.
The Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of sections 13 of the Act. The borrowers may redeem the secured assets by paying the dues of the secured creditor together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.

Place : Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date : 28.06.2024 **Axis Bank Ltd.**

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10 Communist rebels killed in clashes with Philippine secuirty forces in a remote northern area on Friday

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Dhaka	33	28	LR	Moscow	25	14	SNY
Dubai	38	33	SNY	New York	31	18	SNY
Houston	36	27	SNY	Singapore	31	27	SNY
Istanbul	29	21	SNY	Toronto	26	15	SNY
London	24	14	SNY	Washington	17	13	LR

Trump in command, Biden falters in first US presidential debate

Panicked Democrats privately discuss replacing 81-year-old Biden with a younger candidate

WASHINGTON

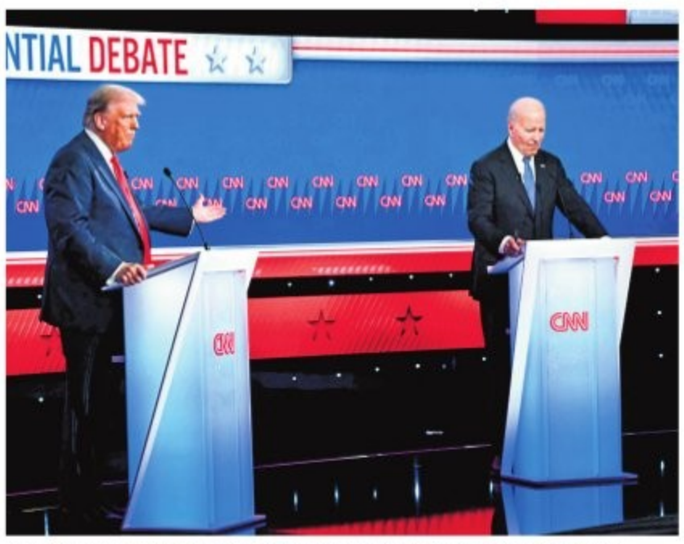
JOE Biden's presidential campaign was in full damage control mode on Friday as the president sought to recover from a disastrous debate showing with Donald Trump that triggered panic among Democrats and even murmurs about replacing the 81-year-old on the White House ticket.

The verdict on Biden's performance from party strategists and across the mainstream media was unanimous and damning, labelling the debate a "political disaster" and highlighting the "consternation" within the Democratic party ranks with the election a little more than four months away. "Democrats wake up to nightmare" ran the headline in *Politico*.

Thursday evening's showdown with Trump had been touted as an opportunity for Biden to allay qualms about his advanced age and fitness for office, and to publicly paint his rival as an existential threat to US democracy.

Instead, his hesitant, faltering delivery, which saw him repeatedly tripping over words and seemingly losing his train of thought, not only underlined concern about his ability to serve another full term, but raised the question of whether he should even remain the party nominee.

Throughout the 90-minute face-off, Biden struggled to counter a typically bombastic performance from Trump who seemed energized and forceful in comparison as he delivered — unchallenged — a highlight reel of false or misleading statements about everything from the economy to key electoral issues like immigration.



US President Joe Biden and former US President and Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump participate in the first presidential debate in Atlanta | AFP

I took two tests, cognitive tests. I aced them, both of them, as you know, we made it public. He (Joe Biden) took none. I'd like to see him take one, just one, a real easy one, like go through the first five questions. He couldn't do it

Donald Trump

I don't walk as easy as I used to, I don't speak as smoothly as I used to, I don't debate as well as I used to, but I know what I do know. I know right from wrong. I know how to do this job. I know how to get things done

Joe Biden

A split screen often showed Biden staring, open mouthed as Trump held forth.

Even as the critics were plunging their knives into his performance in the hours after the debate, Biden insisted he had done "well" as he stopped off at a Waffle House with First Lady Jill Biden. Biden attributed his raspy-voiced delivery to a "sore throat" and added that, in any case, it was "hard to debate a liar."

But as the disappointment over Biden's showing registered with Democrats, there was talk of finding a new candidate before the party's convention in August. *The New York Times* said Democrats—including members of his own administration—traded "frenzied" phone calls and text messages as the debate unfolded. Some also "privately discussed among themselves whether it was too late to persuade the president to step aside in favour of a younger candidate," the paper added.

So far, no senior Democratic figure has publicly called on Biden to withdraw, with most toeing a clear party line about sticking with the existing ticket. So far, no senior Democratic figure has publicly called on Biden to withdraw from the race, with most toeing a clear party line about sticking with the existing ticket.

"I will never turn my back on President Biden," said California Governor Gavin Newsom, who has figured prominently on multiple lists of possible replacement candidates.

"I don't know a Democrat in my party that would do so," Newsom told reporters in the spin room after the debate.

Analysts say forcing a change in the ticket would be politically fraught and Biden would have to decide himself to withdraw in order to make way for another nominee before the party convention.

A strong — but not automatic — candidate to take Biden's place would be his vice president, Kamala Harris, who loyally defended his performance while acknowledging he had made a "slow start." *AFP*

Reformist candidate among frontrunners as Iranians vote

TEHRAN

IRANIANS voted on Friday in a snap election to replace President Ebrahim Raisi who died a helicopter crash, with the race's sole reformist candidate vowing to seek 'friendly relations' with the West in an effort to energise supporters in a vote beset by apathy.

Voters in Iran face a choice between hard-line candidates and the little-known reformist Masoud Pezeshkian, a heart surgeon. As has been the case since the 1979 Islamic Revolution, women and those calling for radical change have been barred from running, while the vote itself will have no oversight from internationally recognised monitors.

The voting comes as wider tensions have gripped the Middle East over the Israel-Hamas war in the Gaza Strip.

In April, Iran launched its first-ever direct attack on Israel over the war in Gaza, while militia groups that Tehran arms in the region such as the Lebanese Hezbollah and Yemen's Houthi rebels are engaged in the fighting and have escalated their attacks.

Meanwhile, Iran continues to enrich uranium at near weapons-grade levels and maintains a stockpile large enough to build should it choose to do so several nuclear weapons.

The remarks by Pezeshkian come after he and his allies were targeted by a veiled warning from the country's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, over their outreach to the United States.

Pezeshkian's comments, made after he cast his ballot, appeared to be aimed at boosting turnout as public apathy has grown pervasive in the Islamic Republic after years of economic woes and mass protests. He seemed to hope that invoking the possibility of Iran emerging from its isolation would motivate people otherwise disillusioned with Iranian politics. *AFP*

The three leading the pack

Iranians cast their ballots on Friday in the presidential election. A look at the key candidates

MASSOUD PEZESHKIAN

Pezeshkian, 69, is the oldest candidate and the sole reformist in the race

In the 2021 presidential race that brought Raisi to power, he was disqualified alongside other reformist and moderate candidates

Recently, he criticised Raisi's government for lacking transparency during nationwide protests triggered by the September 2022 death in police custody of Mahsa Amini

SAEED JALILI

An ultraconservative former nuclear negotiator known for his uncompromising anti-West stance

He led Iran's nuclear programme negotiations between 2007 and 2013 and strongly opposed the 2015 nuclear deal with the United States and Western governments

MOHAMMAD BAGHER GHALIBAF

Ghalibaf, 62, is a prominent conservative who has served as parliament speaker since 2020

Before entering politics, he was in the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, the ideological defenders of the Islamic republic

Supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei appointed him as head of the Guards' air force in 1997, and he became the head of the police force in 2000

61mn Iranians over the age of 18 are eligible to vote, with about **18** million of them between 18 to 30

58,000 POLLING STATIONS, MOSTLY IN SCHOOLS AND MOSQUES

ASIA MATTERS

INDONESIA

MOUNT IBU ERUPTS TWICE IN ONE HOUR

A volcano in eastern Indonesia erupted twice on Friday, sending a hot cloud of ash as high as seven kilometres into the sky. The country's Center for Volcanology and Geological Hazard Mitigation shared an image of the thick column of grey ash towering among white clouds around Mount Ibu, located on the island of Halmahera in North Maluku province. No damage or casualties were immediately reported from the two eruptions, which took place within the span of an hour. The first occurred at 10.45 am. Ibu is one of Indonesia's most active volcanoes

MALAYSIA

'UGLY' OLYMPIC KIT TO BE REDESIGNED

Malaysian officials agreed on Friday to redesign some of the country's kit for next month's Paris Olympics after fans derided the outfits as "ugly" and "cheap looking". Controversy erupted when the Olympic Council of Malaysia (OCM) unveiled the gold-themed outfits featuring a tiger-stripe design last weekend.

SINGAPORE

KNIGHTHOOD FOR TWO SINGAPOREANS

Indian-origin writer Pooja Nansi and Chinese-ethnic theatre director Ivan Heng were made Knights of the Order of Arts and Letters by the French Ministry of Culture to celebrate their "significant impact on cultural cooperation" between Singapore and France. Ambassador of France to Singapore Minh-di Tang presented Nansi and Heng with the prestigious distinction at the Residence of France on Thursday. The Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres (Knights of the Order of Arts and Letters) is the highest merit of the order of France established by its Ministry of Culture.

Israeli military destroys 11 more Palestinian homes in West Bank

JERUSALEM

ISRAELI forces on Friday destroyed 11 homes in an isolated community in the occupied West Bank, leaving 50 people homeless, amid spiraling violence in West Bank.

Since the start of the war in October, there has been an increase in home demolitions by the Israeli army in the West Bank citing violence against settlers, the *Guardian* reported.

"We have fought in the Israeli courts for years against this as most of the village is under threat of demolition and they have done this before," a resident told the *Guardian*.

Meanwhile, Israel's military said it was conducting raids backed by air strikes in northern Gaza, killing "dozens" of militants in an area where it had declared the command structure of Hamas dismantled months ago.

The operation in Shujaiya, on the edge of Gaza City, caused numerous casualties, witnesses and medics said on Thursday when it began.

Renewed fighting in Gaza's north followed comments on Sunday by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in which he said the "intense phase" of the war was winding down after almost nine months. Experts say they foresee a potentially prolonged next phase.

Omer Dostri, a military expert at the Jerusalem Institute for Strategy and Security, said he expects the army to reduce its ground presence and to increasingly use drones and fighter jets "to further dismantle Hamas". On Friday in the Shujaiya area, an AFP correspondent witnessed an air strike and saw smoke rising. Artillery fire boomed. In a statement, Israel's military said that, overnight, troops "started to conduct targeted raids" in the Shujaiya area as part of an operation that began earlier in the day. *Agencies*

Displaced Palestinian children in Gaza Strip's Khan Yunis | AFP

WAR WATCH

ISRAEL-GAZA: DAY 266

TOLL SO FAR

39,457

Israel allows 19 children to leave Gaza

Israeli authorities say 68 people, including 19 sick or wounded children plus their companions, have been allowed out of the Gaza Strip and into Egypt in the first medical evacuation since early May, when the territory's sole travel crossing was shut down after Israel captured it. They left Gaza via the Kerem Shalom cargo crossing

ONLINE SCAM

137 Indians arrested in Sri Lanka

COLOMBO

AS many as 137 Indian nationals who were allegedly involved in a large-scale online financial scam across multiple locations in Sri Lanka have been arrested by police, according to a media report on Friday.

They were arrested on Thursday from the Colombo suburbs of Madiwela and Battaramulla and the western coastal town of Negombo, said Police Spokesman SSP Nihal Thalduwa was quoted as saying by *Daily Mirror*.

He said the Criminal Investigations Department (CID) conducted simultaneous raids in these areas, leading to the seizure of 158 mobile phones, 16 laptops, and 60 desktop computers.

In Negombo, 55 suspects were detained along with 55 mobile phones and 29 laptops.

Similarly, in Kochchikade, authorities apprehended 53 individuals and confiscated 31 laptops and 58 mobile phones.

The operation in Madiwela led to the arrest of 13 suspects and recovery of eight laptops and 38 mobile phones, while in Thalangama, 16 suspects were taken into custody with eight laptops and 38 mobile phones.

The SSP said that all the arrested suspects were males.

The crackdown follows a complaint from a victim who was lured into a WhatsApp group promising cash for social media interactions. *PTI*

MOTION ADOPTED

UNSC calls on Houthis to stop attacks on ships

NEW YORK

THE United Nations Security Council on Thursday approved a resolution demanding Yemen's Houthi rebels halt all attacks on ships and urged that the disruption to maritime security in a critical Middle East waterway be urgently addressed.

The resolution made no mention that the Iran-backed rebels claim they are staging the attacks because of the Israel-Hamas war in Gaza. The resolution, which also extended the requirement that United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres report monthly on the Houthi attacks in the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden, was approved by a 12-0 vote, with Russia, China and Algeria abstaining.

Shipping has reduced drastically through the route crucial to Asian, Middle East and European markets in a campaign the Houthis say will continue as long as the war rages in the Gaza Strip. The resolution condemns the Houthis' continuing attacks, which the rebels say are aimed at ending the war in Gaza, now in its ninth month emphasising the need to address root causes, "including the conflicts contributing to regional tensions and the disruption to maritime security."

With this resolution the council once again sends a clear message to the Houthis: Cease these attacks immediately

Robert Wood, US deputy ambassador to the UN

Sparked by Hamas' surprise attack on October 7 in which the militants stormed into southern Israel, killing about 1,200 people and taking some 250 hostage, the war has so far killed over 37,000 Palestinians, according to Gaza's Health Ministry, which doesn't distinguish between civilians and combatants. The Houthis have targeted more than 60 vessels in the waterway, firing missiles and drones. Four sailors have been killed, one vessel was seized and two others have been sunk in Rebel attacks since November. *PTI*

EXPRESS READ

Bolivia's prez denies role in coup attempt

La Paz: Bolivia President Luis Arce on Thursday denied being behind an attempted coup against him, and said that the general who apparently led it "acted on his own." In his first appearance before the press after the failed apparent coup, Arce said: "I am not a politician that is going to win popularity through the blood of the people" Bolivia's government announced that a total of 17 people had been arrested over coup attempt

US Supreme Court rules in favour of January 6 Capitol rioters

Demonstrators gather outside of the US Supreme Court on Friday | AFP

WASHINGTON

THE US Supreme Court on Friday made it harder to charge Capitol riot defendants with obstruction, a charge used in hundreds of prosecutions and also faced by former US President Donald Trump.

The justices ruled 6-3 that the charge of obstructing an official proceeding, enacted in 2002 in response to the financial scandal that brought down Enron Corp, must include proof that defendants tried to tamper with or destroy documents.

The matter was brought to the court in the case of a former police officer Joseph Fischer, a supporter of Trump who entered the Capitol in Washington, DC with hundreds of others on January 6, 2021.

Writing the opinion for the majority, Chief Justice John Roberts said prosecutors' interpretation of the law would "criminalise a broad swath of prosaic conduct, exposing activists and lobbyist(s) to decades in prison."

The government "must establish that the defendant impaired the availability or integrity for use in an official proceeding of records, documents, objects, or other things used in an official proceeding, or attempted to do so," he wrote. The case was decided 6-3, with Ketanji Brown Jackson joining with the court's conservatives. Amy Coney Barrett, appointed by Trump, penned the dissent, which was joined by liberal judges Sonia Sotomayor and Elena Kagan.

It now heads back to a lower court, which will decide whether Fischer's indictment can still stand in light of the narrower interpretation of "obstruction." *Agencies*

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER		FOREX	
210.45 ↓	Sensex	79,032.73	₹450 ↑	24 carat (10 gm)	₹72,330	1 kg	₹90,000	Dollar ↑	83.35
33.90 ↓	Nifty	24,010.60	₹400 ↑	22 carat (10 gm)	₹66,300	10 gm	₹900	Euro ↑	89.18

FATF lauds India's efforts to curb money laundering

Evaluation report at FATF plenary positions India in 'regular follow-up' category, a distinction shared by only 4 other G20 countries

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

INDIA has received high praise from the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) for its exceptional performance in the Mutual Evaluation conducted during 2023-24.

The recently adopted Mutual Evaluation Report of India at the Financial Action Task Force plenary in Singapore positions the nation in the 'regular follow-up' category, a distinction shared by only four other G20 countries, as per the finance ministry.

This recognition underscores India's commitment to combating money laundering (ML) and terrorist financing (TF). the Financial Action Task Forcespecifically acknowledged India's proactive measures in money laundering and terrorist financing risks, including addressing the laundering of proceeds from corruption, fraud, and organized crime. India's successful transition from a cash-based economy to a digital one, aimed at reducing money laundering and terrorist financing risks, also received commendation.

The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) is an intergovernmental organisation established in 1989 as the international watchdog to combat money laundering, terrorist financing, and other related threats to the integrity of the international financial system. India became a member of the Financial Action Task Force in 2010.

According to a finance ministry press statement, the implementation of the JAM (Jan Dhan, Aadhaar, Mobile) Trinity, coupled with stringent regulations on cash transactions, has not only boosted financial inclusion and digital transactions but has also made transactions more traceable, thereby effectively mitigating ML/TF risks while enhancing financial inclusion.

"India's performance on the the Financial Action Task Force Mutual Evaluation holds major advantages for country's growing economy, as it demonstrates the overall stability and integrity of the financial system. Good ratings will lead to better access to global financial markets and institutions and increase investor confidence. It will also help in the global expansion of the Unified Payments Interface (UPI), India's fast payment system," the ministry said.

According to the ministry press statement, Indian government since 2014 has implemented a series of legislative changes and intensified enforcement actions to combat money laundering, terrorist financing, and black money.

The Indian authorities have successfully disrupted terror funding networks using actionable intelligence inputs, leading to significant reductions in the flow of terror financing, black money, and narcotics, even along coastal areas.

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Digital tax relief for US MNCs extended till June 30

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

INDIA and the United States have decided to extend the relief enjoyed by the US multinational companies (MNCs) on equalisation levy (digital taxes) paid in India till June 30, 2024.

As per the agreement reached by India and the US, India must refund access digital taxes collected from US MNCs from April 1, 2022, until June 30, 2024.

According to the original agreement between the two countries, the validity of this agreement was from April 1, 2022, until implementation of Pillar 1 of the new global tax regime, or 31 Mar 2024, whichever is earlier.

India levies 2% tax on revenue generated from a broad range of digital services offered in India by non-resident companies. Calling it discriminatory, the US had proposed retaliatory tariffs of up to 25% on nearly 40 Indian products in June 2021.

However following international tax negotiations, it suspended these levies.

On October 21, 2021, the US and Austria, France, Italy, Spain, and the United Kingdom reached a compromise on the transitional approach to the unilateral measures in force till Pillar 1 is implemented. Later in November 2021, India also agreed to the terms of the US on digital tax.

The Indian government had agreed to refund the excess amount of tax that it collects through Equalisation Levy starting April 1, 2022, till 31 March 2024, (or when Pillar 1 of the new global tax regime takes effect, whichever is earlier), in comparison to the tax collected under Pillar 1 of the new global tax law in the first full year of its implementation. Pillar 1 gives a country taxing rights on profits earned by multinational corporations within its shores.

The timing for the introduction of Pillar One is still unknown and depends on its acceptance by a large number of countries.

Fiscal deficit during Apr-May narrows to ₹50,615 crore

No change in rates on small savings for Q2

NEW DELHI: The government on Friday left the interest rates on various small savings schemes unchanged for the quarter beginning July 1, 2024. "The rates of interest on various small savings schemes for the second quarter of FY 2024-25, starting from July 1, 2024, and ending on September 30, 2024, shall remain unchanged from those notified for the first quarter (March 1, 2024, to June 30, 2024) of FY 2024-25," said a finance ministry notification. Deposits under the Sukanya Samriddhi scheme will attract an interest rate of 8.2%, while the rate on a three-year term deposit remains at 7.1%. *ENS*

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

INDIA'S fiscal deficit for the initial two months of FY25 decreased to ₹50,615 crore, equivalent to 3% of the estimated deficit for the entire fiscal year on account of higher dividend from the Reserve Bank of India(RBI), as per data released by the Controller General of Accounts (CAG). Last year, during April-May it stood at ₹2.1 lakh crore.

In May, the Centre witnessed a fiscal surplus of ₹1.6 lakh crore owing to the large RBI dividend transfer of ₹2.1 lakh crore in that month. This brought down the fiscal deficit to ₹50,000 crore in the first two month of FY25.

Data shows that net tax revenues in April-May reached ₹3.19 lakh crore, representing 12% of the annual target. This marks an increase from ₹2.78 lakh crore during the corresponding period last year.

According to the Controller General of Accounts data, there was a surplus of ₹90,923 crore as revenue receipts surpassed expenditure. The increase in revenue receipts to 19% of the budgeted estimates for April-May FY25, up from nearly 15% in the same period last year, can be attributed to higher tax revenue and the RBI dividend of ₹2.1 lakh crore approved for last fiscal.

Total expenditure by the government during the period stood at ₹6.23 lakh crore, or about 13% of the annual target, as against ₹6.26 lakh crore in the same period of last year. In the Interim Budget, the government had announced a fiscal deficit target of 5.1% of gross domestic product for the current fiscal year, a reduction from the revised 5.6% in the previous year.

"The revenue upside seen from non-tax, and to a smaller extent, tax receipts suggests headroom to both boost expenditure and target a faster fiscal consolidation than what was pencilled in to the Interim Budget for FY2025," Nayar said.

ICRA expects nominal gross domestic product to rise by 10.8% in FY2025, only slightly lower than the imputed growth of 11.0% in the Interim Budget over the provisional estimates for FY2024.

Core sector growth slows to 6.3% in May

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE growth in output of the eight key infrastructure industries (core sector), slowed to 6.3% in May from 6.7% in April due to slowdown in output of six sectors including cement, fertliser and natural gas during the month, the government data showed. In May 2023, core sector had seen a growth of 5.2%.

As per the data, there was a slowdown in output across sectors. Specifically, sectors such as natural gas (7.5%), refinery products (0.5%), and steel (7.6%) experienced deceleration. Additionally, the output of fertilisers (-1.7%) and cement (-0.8%) contracted further during the month. In May, the output of crude oil fell by 1.1%. Conversely, coal production rose 10.2% and electricity generation grew 12.8% during the same month.

Aditi Nayar, chief economist, head of research and outreach at ICRA, said, "A combination of factors including heatwave and phased parliamentary elections could have curtailed activity and execution in some sectors. However, the heatwave boosted demand for power, which translated into a rise in growth of coal and electricity in May 2024 as compared to the previous month."

ASIANOMICS

THE PHILIPPINES

CENTRAL BANK HOLDS RATES, CUTS INFLATION FORECAST

The Central Bank of the Philippines (BSP) has kept its policy rate unchanged. The apex bank's governor said its outlook was more dovish. The BSP's rate-setting board lowered its inflation forecasts for this year and next year, and adopted a more dovish stance in its official statement. It is unclear how many board members voted for the change, after unconfirmed press reports that two of them had resigned over corruption allegations. Early this week, the IMF had adjusted its forecast for the GDP growth for fiscal 2024 to 6%, citing a slowdown in household consumption and investment. Initially, the IMF had projected a 6% growth rate at the beginning of the year. However, in April, this forecast was revised upward to 6% following unexpectedly strong economic performance in the final quarter of 2023.

JAPAN

CONCERNED ABOUT ONE-SIDED FOREX MOVES: FM

Shunichi Suzuki, finance minister of Japan, on Friday said authorities were deeply concerned about the impact of rapid and one-sided foreign exchange moves on the economy, as the yen fell to 38-year lows past 161 per dollar. Suzuki, at a press conference, said authorities would respond appropriately to excessive currency moves and that confidence in the currency is maintained. Suzuki said efforts will continue forging ahead as fiscal reform is crucial. The yen fell to its weakest since 1986 at 161.155 per dollar on Friday, with neither an overnight drop in US yields nor data showing solid consumer price gains in Tokyo arresting the downward slide in Japan's currency. Finance ministry officials have been ramping up warnings against the sliding yen this week, signalling readiness to intervene in the currency market.

SOUTH KOREA

MAY FACTORY OUTPUT FALLS 1.2%, MISSES FORECAST

Factory output of South Korea declined in May on weaker production of machinery and automobiles, official data showed on Friday. This fell short of market expectations. The industrial output index declined 1.2% over the month on a seasonally adjusted basis, after a 2.4% increase in April. Machinery production declined 4.4% and car output fell 3.1%, while semiconductor production rose 1.8%, according to Statistics Korea. On an annual basis, the index rose 3.5%, slowing from the previous month's 6.2% increase but beating a rise of 3.0% expected by economists. Meanwhile, South Korea is projected to reap over $100 billion from selling consumer goods overseas this year.

25 brands represent consumer spending of ₹32,500 cr: ITC

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

FMCG major ITC said its portfolio of over 25 Indian brands represents an annual consumer spend of nearly ₹32,500 crore and reaches over 250 million (25 crore) households in India. The Kolkata-based conglomerate added that it remains focused on scaling up the FMCG businesses anchored on strong growth platforms and a future-ready portfolio.

"It is pertinent to note that the chosen categories, which are characterised by low household penetration levels and/or low per capita consumption, offer major headroom for long-term growth. This is borne out by several reports which highlight that your company's total addressable market expansion potential is among the highest in FMCG space," said ITC in its FY23-24 annual report.

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ITC annual report

ITC's FMCG businesses include packaged foods, personal care products, education and stationery products, incense sticks and safety matches. Some of the known brands are Aashirvaad, Sunfeasy and YiPPee.

The company said a key element of its growth strategy is to foray into value-added adjacencies and categories of the future by leveraging 25+ powerful mother brands it has established over the years.

Its FMCG businesses recorded segment revenue of ₹20,966.83 crore in FY24, a rise of 9.6% over the previous year. Segment EBITDA for the year saw a robust growth of 19.7% to ₹2338.50 crore with margins improving by 94 bps to 11.2%.

The company's revenue from cigarette business came at ₹30, 596.59 crore.

On the hotel business which is all set to get listed as a separate entity, ITC said it continues to leverage its 'asset-right' strategy to be among the fastest growing hospitality chains in the country with over 130 properties and 12,000 rooms under its six distinctive brands. In the last 24 months, ITC has opened 25 under the brand portfolio, out of which 24 are managed properties. ITC also opened its first international property 'ITC Ratnadipa' in April 2024 in Colombo, Sri Lanka.

ITC stated the business is seeing 'growing interest' among property owners to partner with its brands, resulting in a healthy generation of leads and pipeline of management contracts.

Telecom services get costlier as companies raise tariff

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

A day after Reliance Jio announced a tariff hike for its prepaid and postpaid plans, Bharti Airtel and Vodafone Idea (VIL) announced an increase in tariff up to 25% for all their prepaid and postpaid plans.

While the revised prices of Airtel will come into effect from July 3, VIL's new plans will take effect on July 4. This marks the first major tariff hike by telecom service providers since November 2021. With this, all three private telcos have implemented tariff revisions. Airtel justifies the move as essential to achieve a financially sustainable business model, allowing them to invest in network upgrades and 5G rollout.

"Airtel has maintained that the mobile average revenue per user (ARPU) needs to be upwards of ₹300 to enable a financially healthy business model for telcos in India. We believe this level of ARPU will enable substantial investments required in network technology and spectrum and offer a modest return on capital," said Airtel in a statement.

The telco aims to raise its ARPU to ₹300 from current ₹209. This is already the highest among the telcos, surpassing Jio's ₹181.7 and VIL's ₹146. Analysts suggest this could signal further hikes from Airtel in the future. "Jio led the tariff hike this time, unlike Airtel back in 2021. It signals Jio is shifting its focus from subscriber gains to profitability or monetisation of services. This round of tariff hikes, coupled with rising data consumption and upgrading subscribers to a 5G network, would support ARPU growth and improve the sector's financial health. It is expected VIL will follow suit," said Charu Paliwal, telecom expert.

As per the new tariff, the cheapest plan Airtel offers is now ₹199, up from ₹179. This is an increase of almost 11%. Other plans ranging from ₹455 to ₹1,799 have seen similar rate hikes. Airtel's postpaid plans such as ₹399, ₹499, ₹599, and ₹999, have rose by up to 20%.

Meanwhile, VIL has curated a range of feature-rich plans to meet the diverse needs of its users. The company said it had made nominal changes in entry-level plans. "VIL is the only operator offering a range of unmatched benefits to its prepaid customers by offering Night Free Data and Weekend Data Roll Over with its 'Hero Unlimited' plans and a unique 'Choose Your Benefit' option to postpaid customers under its Vi Max Plans," said VIL statement.

RIL first co to cross ₹21L cr m-cap due to Jio's tariff hike, bullish market

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

BILLIONAIRE Mukesh Ambani-run Reliance Industries has become the first company to cross ₹21 trillion (₹21 lakh cr) market capitalisation, boosted by the tariff hike announced by its unlisted telecom arm Jio Infocomm and also the overall bullish market that has seen the indices setting new records this week, barring Friday.

At the end of the trade on Friday, Reliance, which for decades has been the most valuable company, closed at a market cap of ₹2,119,009.71 crore or ₹21.19 trillion. The stock rallied to 52-week high of ₹3,161.45 when the market was at new peak but closed at ₹3,131.85 or 2.31% over the previous close on the BSE.

The RIL counter has been seeing renewed interest after almost two dozen brokerages gave a buy call earlier this month. Most of them have a price target to ₹3,380-3,580. Overseas brokerage Jefferies has a price target of ₹3,580 over its previous call for ₹3,380, indicating a 17% upside from Thursday's close.

Friday's 2.3% rally was mainly driven by Jio's new unlimited plans effective July 3 along with a 17-27% hike in tariffs, which will improve its already industry leading average revenue per user and the bottom-line. The new tariffs range from ₹189 for 2 GB/month to ₹3,599 for a 2.5 GB/day annual plan, with unlimited 5G data for plans of 2 GB/day and above. As per analysts, a 20% tariff hike can boost bottom line by 10-15%.

So far this year, RIL counter has surged over 20%, while the indices have rallied half of that. This has the RIL becoming the first domestic company to reach the ₹21 trillion m-cap milestone. On June 28, Jefferies raised RIL's price target to ₹3,580 from ₹3,380, indicating a 17% upside from Thursday's close, the highest target on the street. The brokerage maintained a 'Buy', estimating Jio's revenue and profit to grow at an annual pace of 18% and 26%, respectively, from FY24 to FY27.

Morgan Stanley is overweight on RIL with a target of ₹3,046, as the brokerage expects new energy cashflow streams by year-end. As many as 28 of the 35 analysts covering RIL have a buy call, five have a hold call and only two have sell call on the counter.

Onboarding delay: NITES seeks probe on DXC Tech

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

THE Nascent Information Technology Employees Senate (NITES), which represents IT professionals, has urged the Ministry of Labour and Employment to look into DXC Technology for delay in onboarding over 4,800 campus recruits.

DXC was formed by the merger of CSC and the Enterprise Services business of Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE). As per Harpreet Singh Saluja, President, NITES, the IT service provider has postponed onboarding of campus hires multiple times and candidates have been waiting for over a year now.

"These delays, lasting over two years, have caused serious problems for these new employees. Many turned down other job offers because they believed in DXC Technology's promises. Now, they are struggling financially and are unsure about their future as they haven't started working yet," he said.

The union has also asked for full salary payments for the period during which onboarding has been delayed. An email sent to DXC Technology on the reason behind onboarding delays did not elicit any response.

Many IT companies have been delaying onboarding campus recruits. Recently, the union urged the Labour Ministry to investigate Infosys for repeatedly delaying the onboarding.

All India IT and ITeS Employees' Union too recently said that they have been receiving complaints against IT companies for delays in onboarding campus hires.

In the company's annual report, Infosys CEO Salil Parekh had mentioned that the company has recruited nearly 11,900 college graduates in 2023-2024.

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Bangalore - 560078.

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Bank of Baroda** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 has issued a Demand Notice dated **12.03.2024** calling upon the **Borrowers: (1) Mrs. Jamuna (2) Mr Shivakumar D,** Both are residing at Address 1: Flat no 130, 1st floor, Lotus-block,Eden Blossoms, Sy no.33/1,BBMP Khata no 134/471/33/1 Gollahalli village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Bangalore-560002, & Address 2:No.803, Behind IND,13th cross, Chandra Layout, Bengaluru-560072 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs 71,32,552.34/-** (Rupees Seventy One Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Two and Thirty Four Paisa Only) as on **04.03.2024** together with further interest upto **04.02.2024 & 03.02.2024** for Loan account numbers **74670600001380 and 74370600001379** respectively within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **27th day of June of the year 2024.**

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Bank of Baroda** for total amount of **Rs.71,32,552.34/-** (Rupees Seventy One Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Two and Thirty Four Paisa Only) as on **04.03.2024** and interest upto **04.02.2024 & 03.02.2024** for Loan account numbers **74670600001380 and 74370600001379** respectively and interest thereon at the contractual rate plus costs, charges and expenses till date of payment.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Residential flat no 130,1st floor, Lotus-block,Eden Blossoms, Sy no.33/1, BBMP khata no.134/471/33/1 Gollahalli village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore south, Bangalore-560002, consisting of two bedrooms, a kitchen with utility, dining and living room with balcony measuring 1110 sq ft of super built up area and one car parking space in stilt floor. Boundaries: East-Flat no.129, West-Flat no.124, North-Flat no.126, South- open space and set back.

Date : 27.06.2024 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Bengaluru Bank of Baroda

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SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Tender Notice No: COMML/MYS/21/2024
Dated: 21-06-2024

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites Tenders for the following work:

Item of work
Tender invited for appointment of Halt Agent at Chandragiri Koppal Halt Station situated between Mysuru & Bengaluru Section, Chikandavadi Train Halt Station situated between Chitradurga-Chickjajur Section & Koranahalli Halt Station situated between Birur - Talaguppa Section over Mysuru Division for a period of Five Years.

Last date for submission of Tender :
Upto 15:00 Hrs. on 01-08-2024
For details log on www.swr.indianrailways.gov.in

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager
PUB/202/AAF/PRB/SWR/2024-25 **Mysuru**
South Western Railway - SWR | SWRRLY | SWRRLY

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that our client is 1) Sri. Rukma Prasad S/o Sri. Ragava Prasad, and 2) Smt. Geetharjali, W/o Sri. Rukma Prasad are intending to purchase the property described in the schedule hereunder, from its owners 1) Smt. Savitha W/o Sri. Sharan Kumar S.M. and 2) Smt. Usha W/o Sri. Suresh Shavathgeri.

if any person/s or Institution, Authority, etc., have got any right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever in nature on the Schedule Property, are hereby required to communicate the same along with supporting documents to me at my office within **SEVEN (7) DAYS** from this day. Otherwise, the Sale Transaction will be completed without any reference or regard to any such purported claim or interest, which shall be deemed to have been waived to all intents and purposes.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable vacant residential property bearing site No.274, having BBMP khatha No.1097/139/137/83/1B/274, formed in converted Sy No.83/1B (old No.83). converted for non–agricultural residential purpose vide conversion order bearing No.B.Dis.ALN.SR(N)43/95-96, dated 20/01/1996, by Deputy Commissioner Bangalore District, situated at Mallathahalli village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West 60 ft and North to South 40 ft, totally measuring **2400 Sq.ft,** within BBMP ward No.129, Jnanabharathi, And bounded on : **East by :** Prabhakar Reddy Layout; **West by :** 35 ft wide Road; **North by :** Site No.275 A; **South by :** Site No.273.

ANAND D.B., Advocate,
office No.#11 & 13, P.V. Arcade, 2nd Floor, D No.201, Between 6th & 7th Cross, Parallel to Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003. M No: 9845100577,

IN THE COURT OF THE 39TH ADDL. CITY CIVIL COURT AT BENGALURU (CCH - 40)
P & Sc. No.76 / 2024

BETWEEN : Sri. S. Ramakrishnan, Aged about 61 years, S/o. Late Sivasankaran, R/At. Old No.27/3, New No.16, Vasundara Apartments, Hindi Prachar Sabha Street, Thyagaraja Nagar, Chennai 600 017, Tamil Nadu **: Petitioner**
AND : NIL **: Respondents**

PUBLIC NOTICE
(By way of paper publication U/O 5 Rule 20 of CPC)

Whereas, the Petitioner above named has instituted the above petition under Section 278 of the Indian Succession Act for grant of Letters of Administration and Succession Certificate in respect of the schedule property in favour of the Petitioner as per the WILL dated 08-05-2022 executed by Smt. Kamala Krishnamoorthy W/o. Krishnamoorthy. In order to grant probate if any person/s has/have any right, title or interest over the said property is/are hereby requested such person/s to appear before this Hon'ble City Civil Court, at Bengaluru (CCH-40) in person/s or through an Advocate on **12-08-2024 at 11:00 A.M.** to answer the same failing which the above matter will be disposed of by issuing probate in favour of the Petitioner.

S C H E D U L E

Item No.1:- All that piece and parcel of residential immovable property being a Flat in the Apartment known as RV-14 RAMA MANSION, constructed on property No.32/1 & 33, Apartment No.301, on the second floor, BBMP PID No.5-19-32/10/1, with one covered car parking area, consisting of one bed room, hall, kitchen, bathroom, balcony, with super-built-up area of 941 Sq. Ft., situated at 16th 'A' Cross, N.G. Block, Vyalikaval, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru, along with undivided right of 365.75 Sq. Ft. on the landed property.

Item No.2 :- All that piece and parcel of residential immovable property being a Flat in the Apartment known as RV-14 RAMA MANSION, constructed on property No.32/1 & 33, Apartment No.301, on the second floor, BBMP PID No.5-19-32/10, with one covered car parking area, consisting of one bed room, hall, kitchen, bathroom, balcony, with super-built-up area of 965 Sq. Ft., situated at 16th 'A' Cross, N.G. Block, Vyalikaval, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru, along with undivided right of 365.75 Sq. Ft. on the landed property.

(Together with all rights and amenities common area, lobbies, staircase, lift, electricity power etc,. The construction with mosaic flooring, jungle wood doors & steel windows).

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this the 20th day of June '2024.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Assistant Registrar
City Civil Court, Bengaluru

Advocate for Petitioner :
Sri K. Rama Bhat,
Sri. K. Rama Bhat & Associates
Advocates, No.19, First Floor,
Link Road - South End Road,
Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru - 560 020.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No.
SWRMYSSSLPIREPS202324

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Open Tender Through IREPS only for the following work:

Description of work	Approx. Value
Inviting Open IREPS	Rs. 6,50,560/-

Tender for entering into Rate Contract with Firms/Distributors/Chemist Shops for supply of all the types of surgical items and consumables on day to day basis for Emergency Local Purchase to surgical stores of Railway Hospital, Mysuru Round the Clock (24X7) for a period of Two Years from the date of commencement of the work.

Last date for submission of bids :
Upto 16:00 Hrs. on 22-07-2024
For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Chief Medical Superintendent
PUB/200/AAF/PRB/SWR/2024-25 **Mysuru**
South Western Railway - SWR | SWRRLY | SWRRLY

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for notice of the general public that a political party is proposed to be registered by the name of **"SECULAR SABHA PARTY". The office of the part is located at "143, RAMASAMDRA MAIN ROAD, CHIKKA BASTI, BANGALORE SOUTH, BANGALORE, KARNATAKA- 560056"** This party has submitted application to the Election Commission of India. New Delhi for its registration as Political Party under Section 29A of the Representation of People Act, 1951- Name/Addressof the office bearers of the Party are as follows:

1. President: Mrs. Shakeela Banu R/o. 143, Ramasamdra Main Road Chikka Basti, Bangalore South, Bangalore, Karnataka-560056.
2. General Secretary: Mrs. Thabasum Begum C/o. Riyaz Pasha, R/o. No 13, Kengeri Hobli, Doddabasti, Upanagar, Bangalore, Karnataka-560056.
3. Treasurer: Mrs. Asma Begum W/o. Mohammad Rafiq, R/o. 13, Doddabasthi Ullalu, Bangalore, Karnataka-560056.

If anyone has any objection to the registration of **"SECULAR SABHA PARTY"** they may send their Objection with reasons thereof. To the Secretary Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001 within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

RAJASTHAN RAJYA VIDYUT UTPADAN NIGAM LIMITED

CIN– U40102RJ2000SGC016484 (A Govt. of Rajasthan Undertaking)
KALISINDH THERMAL POWER PROJECT, JHALAWAR (RAJASTHAN)
E-TENDER NOTICE TN-606(RVU2425WLOB00538)

Online tenders are invited for Annual contract for the Work of complete operation, maintenance and housekeeping of coal handling plant, including wagon unloading, operation & maintenance of heavy machineries and other equipments, Railway line & equipments, Electrical & C&I works, of CHP area and other related works as specified in the scope of work for 2x600 MW Units, KaTPP, Jhalawar". Tender details are available on websites www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in (for e-tender), www.energy.rajasthan.gov.in/rvunl & http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in.

Raj.samwad/C/24/1433 RVUN/PR-4020 **Chief Engineer (KaTPP)**

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER ELECT. DIV.-SECTT P.W.D. JAIPUR.

File No.462 **SHORT NIT No 02/2024-25** Date: 24.06.2024

Bids for Three Electric work are for invited from interested bidder upto 6:00 PM Time, Date 04-07-2024. Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal **(http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in)** of the state; and Public work Department website. The approximate value of the procurement is Rs.367.13 Lacs.

UBN No. 1. PWD2425WSOB01352, 2. PWD2425WSOB01374,
3. PWD2425WSOB01375.

Sd/- EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
DIPR/C/5004/2024 **PWD, Electric Division-sectt, Jaipur**

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, SUNABEDA

email- serwsbd2003@yahoo.com

No:_____/ Date: _____/

O-66 ***e- Procurement Notice for Road & Bridge works***

1 Name of the work : Construction of Road & Bridge works (03 Nos.)
2 Class of contractor : "A" & Special Class of (Odisha PWD) or relevant class of other licensing authority.
3 Estimated Cost : Varies from Rs.532.67 Lakhs to Rs. 795.23 Lakhs (Approximately)
4 Details projects : As per Annexure attached.

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender online for bidding		Last Date & Time of seeking tender clarification	Date & Time of opening of tender	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bids
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Sunabeda	CCERWCSBD - Online - 04/2024-25	04.07.2024 at 11.00 A.M.	18.07.2024 up to 5.00 P.M.	16.07.2024 up to 2.00 P.M.	19.07.2024 at 11.00 A.M.	To be intimated separately

5. The details of works can be seen from the web site **https://www.tendersodisha.gov.in**
6. Any Corrigendum/Addendum will be displayed in the above e-tender web site.

Sd/- Chief Engineer,
Rural Works Circle, Sunabeda. OIPR-25182/11/0005/2425

GOVT. OF ODISHA, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER RURAL WORKS CIRCLE: KEONJHAR

Tel. 06766-258301(0), email: se_nerwkjr@rediffmail.com
eProcurement Notice for Road & Bridge Works under DMF
Identification No. NCB No. 02/RWCKJR/2024-25
No.2132 / Date: 26-06-2024

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1. Name of the work :- **Construction of road & bridge works under DMF in the District of Keonjhar**
2. No. of work :- **12(Twelve) Nos.**
3. Estimated Cost :- As per Annexure in NIT.
4. Class of Contractor (Eligible) :- As per Annexure in NIT.
5. Period of Completion :- As per Annexure in NIT.
6. Other details :-

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of tender Online for bidding		Last Date & Time of seeking Tender Clarification	Date &Time of Opening of Tender in O/o C.C.E., R.W. Circe, Keonjhar	
		From	To		Technialal Bid	Fiancial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Keonjhar	**NCB-02/ RWCKJR/ 2024-25**	**Dt.04.07.24 at 11.00 A.M**	**Dt.18.07.24 up to 5.00 P.M**	**Dt.16.07.24 up to 5.00 P.M**	**Dt.19.07.24 at 11.00 A.M**	**Will be intimated later**

• **Further details can be seen from the website: www.tendersorissa.gov.in**

Sd/- Chief Engineer, R.W. Circle, Keonjhar OIPR-25177/11/0003/2425

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client is negotiating with **Sr.C.Narayan** S/o. Sri.Chennappa Aged about 62 years, Aadhar No:2419 1166 1609 and Smt. Nagarathna W/o. Sri.C.Narayan, Aged about 57 years, Aadhar No:2975 1101 8669, both are residing at No.945, 1st Main, 1st Cross, BTM 4th Stage, Bangalore-560 076, to purchase a residential plot bearing BDA Site No.920/A, BBMP Khata No.444/291/920/A measuring East to West **11.90 meters** and North to South 9.15 Meters, in all measuring **108.88 Sq.Mtrs.**, situated in the Layout formed by the BDA, BTM 4th Stage, 2nd Block, Bangalore, presently comes under the BBMP, Ward No.193, consisting of 06 squares of RCC roofed residential building which is more fully described in the schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as schedule property.

Sr.C.Narayan and Smt. Nagarathna have informed my client that, originally the schedule property been allotted and conveyed by BDA in the name of Sri.B.Basavaraju son of late Bheemappa vide Sale Deed dated 22.02.2001, registered as document No.5807/2000-01, Volume-117, pages at 56 to 62, in the office of the Addl.Sub-Registrar, Bangalore Urban District.

Sr.C.Narayan and Smt. Nagarathna has further informed my client that, Sri.B.Basavaraju died on 19.09.2020 leaving behind his wife Smt.Shakunthala and two daughters Smt.Sunitha Anand D & Smt.Savitha Manjunatha and one son Sri.Manjunatha B as his only legal heirs to succeed all his estates including the schedule property herein. Accordingly Smt.Shakunthala, Smt.Sunitha Anand D, Smt.Savitha Manjunatha and Sri.Manjunatha B being only serving legal heir of late Sri.B.Basavaraju, absolutely sold the schedule property in favour of Sr.C.Narayan and Smt. Nagarathna, vide Sale Deed dated 04.12.2023, registered as document No.BTM-1-05071/2023-24, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Jayanagar (B.T.M. Layout) Bangalore.

Accordingly from the date of acquiring the schedule property, Sr.C.Narayan and Smt. Nagarathna, being joint and absolute owners, are in peaceful physical possession and enjoyment of the schedule property with clear and open notice to all the general public, without any let or hindrance from any individual person/s, statutory authorities, companies, etc.

If any other legal heirs of aforesaid pre-decessors in title i.e, Sri.B.Basavaraju or any other person/s, or statutory authorities, companies, etc claiming any right, title, charge, ownership, what so ever, in respect of the Schedule Properties herein or have any objections for the intended sale transaction or against ownership of Sr.C.Narayan and Smt. Nagarathna, in respect of schedule property, may lodge such claim or objections with all supporting documents with the undersigned within Seven Days from the date of this Publication, failing which my clients will proceed with the intended sale and purchase the schedule properties by getting the registered Sale Agreement/ Sale Deed/ any such deeds executed in their favour from Sr.C.Narayan and Smt. Nagarathna, as if there are no objections or claims etc from any individual person/s, statutory authorities, companies, etc against the schedule properties and any claim or objections made thereafter shall not be binding on my clients.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential plot bearing BDA Site No.920/A, BBMP Khata No.444/291/920/A measuring East to West **11.90 meters** and North to South **9.15 Meters,** in all measuring **108.88 Sq.Mtrs.**, situated in the Layout formed by the BDA, BTM 4th Stage, 2nd Block, Bangalore, presently comes under the BBMP, Ward No.193, consisting of 06 squares of RCC roofed residential building and bounded on the East by- Road; West by-Site No.922 & 921; North by-Site No. 920 and South by-Site No.919.

BHASKAR BABU H J, Kanaka & ASSOCIATES, ADVOCATES
#215.1st floor, 1st Main Road, Sampangiramanagara, Bangalore-27
Cell No: 9741777644/ 9740244365/ 9980781320

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)

RMV EXTENSION BRANCH, New Corporation No. 3, 17th Cross Road, Near Janata Bazar, Upper Palace Orchards, Sadashivanagar, Bengaluru - 560 080.
Tele : 080 - 23615897, email ID : cb0888@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

1. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of RMV Extn. Branch Bangalore of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **16.07.2024**, for recovery of **Rs 48,37,701.26** (Rupees Forty Eight Lakhs Thirty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred and One and Twenty Six Paise Only) as on **26.06.2024** plus further interest @ 11.25% pa compounded monthly from **27.06.2024** and cost due to the Canara Bank RMV Extn. Branch from Borrowers **Sri.LOKESH S K and Smt. SUMA C**
The reserve price of the property will be Rs 36,45,000/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakhs and Forty Five thousand only) and the earnest money deposit (EMD) is 10% of Reserve Price of the property i.e, **Rs 3,64,500/-.**
The Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 15.07.2024 up to 4.00 pm.
Details and full description of the property(ies):
Schedule A Property : Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of immovable residential house 61/1, PID. No. 14-27-61/1, 13th Cross Road Maramma Temple Road, Ward No. 14, Rajajinagar 1st Block, Bangalore - 560010 and measuring East – West : 15.00 feet and North-South : 36.00 feet, in all measuring 540.00 Square feet and bounded on the East: House of Kodagahalli, West: Remaining Portion of the same Property, North: Passage then house of Hosamane Byrappa Passage, South: Road.

2. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of RMV Extn. Branch Bangalore of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **16.07.2024** , for recovery of **Rs 96,98,582.88,** (Rupees Ninety Six Lakhs Ninety Eight Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Two and Paise Eighty Eight Only) as on **26.06.2024** plus further interest @ 11.2 % pa compounded monthly from **27.06.2024** and cost due to the Canara Bank RMV Extn. Branch from Borrowers **Sri. Vishwanath Markatti.**
The reserve price of the property will be Rs 69,11,000/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Lakhs Eleven thousand only) **and the earnest money deposit (EMD) is 10% of Reserve Price of the property i.e, Rs 6,91,100/-.**
The Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 15.07.2024 up to 4.00 pm.
Details and full description of the property(ies): Schedule A Property :
Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of immovable residential House list No 20 , Old Khata Nos 24/1 and 24/2, present BBMP Khata No 987/38/24/1/24/2/20 situated at Sarakkikere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, present comes within the limits of BBMP, Bengaluru and measuring East to West : 67.0 Feet and North to South : 37 ½ feet, in all measuring 2512.5 square feet and bounded on East by: Private Property, West by : Road, North By: Site No 19 & South By: Private property
Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of immovable residential House list No 19 , Old Khata Nos 24/1, present BBMP Khata No 998/24/1/19 situated at Sarakkikere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk , present comes within the limits of BBMP, Bengaluru and measuring East to West : 67.0 Feet and North to South : 37.6 feet, in all measuring 2512.5 square feet and bounded on: East by: Private Property
West by : Road, North By: Site No 18 & South By: Site No 20
Composite schedule property: All that piece and parcel of combined property of item Nos 1&2, bearing site No 19&20, Old Khata Nos 24/1 and 24/2 , then BBMP Khata No 998/24/1/19 & 987/38/24/1/24/2/20 situated at Sarakkikere village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk , present comes within the limits of BBMP , Puttenehalli ward no 187, Sarakkikere , Bangalore and measuring East to West: 67.0 feet and North to South : 75 feet in all measuring 5025 square feet and bounded on the East by : Private Property, West by: Road, North by : Site No 18 & South by : Private property
Schedule B Property: Residential Apartment of Flat No 301 (3 BHK) in Second floor, East facing in the building known as "Devi Grand View" having Super Built up area of 1500 sqft along with right to use common areas & amenities and one car parking with undivided right, title and interest of 279 sqft in schedule A property

3. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of RMV Extn. Branch Bangalore of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **16.07.2024**, for recovery of **Rs.1,16,72,174.16** (Rupees One Crore Sixteen Lakhs Seventy Two Thousand One Hundred Seventy Four and Paise Sixteen Only) as on **26.06.2024** plus further interest @ 12.4% pa compounded monthly from **27.06.2024** and cost due to the Canara Bank RMV Extn. Branch from Borrowers **Sri.DRA Krishna and Smt. Lakshmi D K.**
The reserve price of the property will be Rs 60,80,000/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs and Eighty thousand only)and the earnest money deposit (EMD) is 10% of Reserve Price of the property i.e, **Rs 6,08,000/-.**
The Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 15.07.2024 up to 4.00 pm.
Details and full description of the property(ies): Schedule A Property :
Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of immovable residential house list no. 20 old khata No. 24/1 and 24/2 , present BBMP Khata No. 987/38/24/1/24/2/20 situated at Sarakkikere village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, present comes with in the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore and measuring East – West : 67.00 feet and North-South : 37.50 feet, in all measuring 2512.50 Square feet and bounded on the East : By Private property, West: By road, North : By Site No. 19, South : By private Property
Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of immovable residential house list No.19 Old Khata 24/1,present BBMP Khata No.998/24/1/19 situated at Sarakkikere village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, present comes within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore and measuring East – West : 67.00 feet and North- South : 37.60 feet, in all measuring 2512.50 Square feet and bounded on the East : By Private property, West: By road, North : By Site No. 18, South : By Site No. 20
Composite schedule property: All that piece and parcel of combined property of Item No. 1 and 2 bearing site No. 19 and 20, Old Khata 24/1 and 24/2, then BBMP Khata No.998/24/1/19 and 987/38/24/1/24/2/20, present BBMP Khata No. 998/24/1/24/2/19 & 20.situated at Sarakkikere village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, present comes within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike,Puttenahalli Ward No. 187, Sarakkikere, Bangalore and measuring East – West : 67.00 feet and North to South : 75.00feet, in all measuring 5025.00 Square feet and bounded on the East : By Private property, West: By road, North : By Site No. 18, South : By Private property
Schedule B Property: Residential apartment of flat No. 302, (3 BHK) in second floor, East facing in the building known as "DEVI GRAND VIEW", having super built up area of 1500.00 Square feet. Along with right to use common areas and amenities and one car parking with undividedright, title and interest of 279.00 Square feet in the schedule A property.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Branch Manager through RMV Extn. Branch Bangalore, Canara bank, Ph. No. 9483520888 during office hours on any working day.
E-auction arranged by the service provider M/s Canbank Computer Service Ltd. through the website www.indianbankseauction.com

Sd/-
Place: Bangalore Authorised Officer
Date:26.06.2024 Canara Bank

KARNATAKA INDUSTRIAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT BOARD

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
 # 49, East Wing, 4th & 5th Floor, Khanija Bhavan Race Course Road
Bengaluru – 560 001. Phone No. 080-22265383 website : www.kiadb.in

No. IADB/ENGG/ETND-EP-10/241/2024-25 Date:28.06.2024

SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

Item Rate Tenders under two cover bid system is invited for the work mentioned below as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000 through electronic procurement from eligible Contractors who have got adequate financial resources, state of the art technology, suitable construction equipments, technical man power & sufficient past experience for the following works as per the schedule given below:

Name of the works : Shifting of existing 66/11kV existing 66kV Doddaballapura Vijayapura S/C line (under construction of strengthening work by replacing existing SC coyote conductor on 110kV DC towers) passing over at site no. 110 and others of KIADB area in Doddaballapura and Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.

The last date and time of receipt of tender is : **16.07.2024** upto **4.30 pm.**
Applicants May Download Bidding Documents from the E-Procurement Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

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POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the Authorised Officer of **KARNATAKA BANK LIMITED,** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued the Demand Notices, details of which are mentioned hereunder, calling upon the borrowers/mortgagors/guarantors/co-obligants mentioned therein to repay the total amount mentioned in the demand notice along with future interest within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices.

Name of Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors/Co-obligants : – (1) M/s. PS & S Agri-Culture Private Limited, Represented by its Directors i) Mr. Kotrappa D.H, ii) Mrs. Parvathamma M, Addressed at:- No.230, 21st Main Road, Srinivasa Nagar, Nandini Layout, Bengaluru-560096, **(2) Mr. Kotrappa D.H,** S/o Mr. Hanumanthappa, **(3) Mrs. Parvathamma M,** W/o Mr. Kotrappa D.H, **4) Mr. Vishwas D.K,** S/o Mr. Kotrappa D.H, **5) Mrs. Indrani D.K,** W/o Mr. Jagadeesha K.S, **No.2 to 5 are residing at:-** No.230, 21st Main Road, Srinivasa Nagar, Nandini Layout, Bengaluru-560096.

Branch Name: Bengaluru – Nehrunagar Date of Demand Notice: 11.03.2024; Corrigendum dated 27.03.2024

Amount Demanded: Rs.2,45,17,297.16 [Rupees Two Crore Forty Five Lakh Seventeen Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Seven and Paisa Sixteen Only] i.e Rs. 2,29,08,836.87 under PSTL A/c 0637001800043001 along with future interest from 16.02.2024 and Rs. 16,08,460.29 under PSTL A/c 0637001800047301 along with future interest from 01.03.2024.

Date of taking Possession: 26.06.2024

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.2,58,51,452.16 [Rupees Two Crore Fifty Eight Lakh Fifty One Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Two and Paisa Sixteen Only] i.e Rs. 2,41,93,810.87 under PSTL A/c 0637001800043001 along with future interest from 16.06.2024 and Rs. 16,57,641.29 under PSTL A/c 0637001800047301 along with future interest from 11.06.2024, plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Properties : Item No.1:- All that piece and parcel of residential immovable property bearing **Old BDA No. 230, present BDA No.230/22,** PID No. 12-98-22, in Sy. No. 14/7, admeasuring 1200 sqft (East to West: 30 feet: North to South: 40 feet), and residential Building Constructed thereon situated at Ward No.12, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Laggere Village, Srinivasnagar, Nandini Layout, Bengaluru -560058. **Boundaries of Property: East by :** Site No.209; **West by :** Site No. 231; **North by :** 21st Main Road; **South by :** Site No.208.

Item No.2:- All that piece and parcel of residential immovable property bearing **Site No. 605,** BBMP Khata No. 264/236/605, admeasuring 2400 sqft (East to West: 40 feet: North to South: 60 feet), along with residential Building Constructed thereon situated at Kasavanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru -560035. **Boundaries of Property: East by :** Site No.606; **West by :** Site No. 604; **North by :** 50 feet Road; **South by :** Private Property.

The borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties, as described herein above, in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **26.06.2024.**

The borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned herein above and any dealings with the said properties will be subject to the charge of **Karnataka Bank Ltd.,** for amounts as described herein above.

[The attention of the borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors co-obligants is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.]

Place: Bengaluru **Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer**
Date : 26.06.2024 **For Karnataka Bank Ltd.,**

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DEMAND NOTICE

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of the Canara Bank, HSR Layout Branch, Bengaluru under the Socuritization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2)of Chapter-3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notice/s on below date, calling upon the following borrower/s/ Guarantor/s to repay dam within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

Name of the Borrower: Sri. Karun M R (Borrower & Mortgagor): (2) Smt. Shashikala S, W/o M Ramesh (Mortgagor-2): (3) Sri M Ramesh (Mortgagor-3): S/o Late Marigowda Both are Residing at: 76, A-1 Block, 2nd Main 10th Cross, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage Mysore -570017.

Loan Account Number	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Date of sanction	Amount	Rate of Interest
2673256000107	MSME CONTRACTOR SCHEME	30-06-2017	1,50,00,000.00	11.50 + 2%
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Murray, Djokovic cleared for Wimbledon duty

Former champions Andy Murray and Novak Djokovic shrugged off lingering injury concerns on Friday to take their places in the draw for Wimbledon. Murray, the 2013 and 2016 champion, had appeared certain to miss out on what will be his farewell appearance at the All England Club after undergoing a back operation last weekend.

JASPRIT BUMRAH

The Indian pacer may finish the tournament not as the leading wicket-taker but that will not bother him one bit. He has been unhittable both in the US and the Caribbean. His returns are not even believable — 13 wickets in seven games at an economy of 4.12 with an average of 8.15.

KAGISO RABADA

He may not be as unhittable as Bumrah but South Africa's own GOAT contender has broke open a fair few games. In some helpful conditions in New York and the West Indies, the pacer has given crucial powerplay wickets. In four of the eight games at the World Cup, he has dismissed at least one of the openers.

ROHIT SHARMA

Talking is one thing but Rohit has walked it. He came in on the promise of changing the culture of Indian batting, from conservatism to aggression. He has led the front on this front and his last two against Australia and England has directly been responsible for India finishing with par+ scores.

SURYAKUMAR YADAV

After a slightly iffy start, the premier T20 batter in world cricket has arrived, especially in the West Indies leg. Across the last four matches, he has assumed the charge in the middle-overs, sometimes even providing the kick. His 137 runs beginning with the Super 8s have come off just 81 balls. Twenty of those 81 deliveries (12x4, 8x6) have gone to the boundary.

KULDEEP YADAV

The wrist-spinner was always going to be a point of difference during the West Indies. It has proved to be the case. Normally, he's a wicket-taker. On these wickets, he has become a wicket-taker while putting a lid on the scoring rate (economy rate of 5.87). On these low, slow surfaces with some grip, batters have found him extremely hard to hit.

MAHARAJ-SHAMSI AXIS

England were handicapped with a lack of proper spinners but the Proteas do not have those problems. And these two have been gun more or less throughout the campaign — 20 wickets, with both of them using the surface; nowhere else was this more evident than against West Indies.

SA's middle-order vs India's spinners

Quinton de Kock and Rohit Sharma will try to break the game open in the powerplay but, purely as a contest, this battle is one which could significantly swing the pendulum. Tristan Stubbs, Heinrich Klaasen and David Miller match up well to India's spin trio. Their long levers, ability to use the vertical bat shots rather than go across the line are huge plus points. But, each of Kuldeep, Ravindra Jadeja and Axar Patel use the crease well and play with angles.

THE FINAL FRONTIER

Will India reign supreme or will South Africa hold their nerve. A look at the final...

Pitch and conditions

Unlike some of the other venues, pacers have picked up their fair share of wickets here at the World Cup. But there is enough purchase in it for the spinners as well, as shown by Adam Zampa's match-changing 2/28 against England. There can be quick scores to be had at this venue as well. Australia scored beyond 200 against England, India made more than 180 against Afghanistan while West Indies chased 129 against US in under 11 overs.

WEATHER WATCH

The start of the hurricane season has meant spots of rain across most of the Caribbean. Expect a rainy start to the match — Accuweather opines cloud cover at 98% in the morning — with strong winds (46kph). But there is a reserve day and there should have a full match, even if it spans two days. A tropical wave is expected to develop into a storm from Sunday night. But the weather can be very fickle in these parts.

14-11 India have a slightly better head to head against SA in T20Is (26 games); 4-2 in T20 World Cups

LIVE ON STAR SPORTS AND HOTSTAR FROM 8 PM

Rohit and Markram have had different roads to the final; who will be the last man standing?

Legacy hunting in Caribbean

GOMESH S @ Chennai

TRYST with destiny. Date with glory. Chance to make history... the one-liners will keep coming as the match looms ever closer on Saturday. After all, it is the big final of the Men's T20 World Cup final at Kensington Oval. And walking out for the toss would be two men — Rohit Sharma and Aiden Markram — for whom all the aforementioned phrases fit perfectly.

Rohit, the new kid in the 2007 title-winning Indian team, is now the leader and captain who has reformed the way Men in Blue approaches the shortest format. He has played all the nine T20 World Cups and it all set to feature in a third final in the format. And in every summit clash, he has had a different role to play. 17 years ago, Rohit was the teenager who came as a breath of fresh air in the middle-order. He took on world-class South African pacers to announce his arrival and made an impact in the final to boost India's total against Pakistan. In 2014, he was India's new makeshift opener. It had been less than a year since he had taken up the role in white-ball cricket and wasn't necessarily a finished product . A 26-ball 29 was not off any help as India lost to Sri Lanka. Cut to 2024. Rohit is in the twilight of his career. It is perhaps his last white-ball World Cup across formats. He had revived India's approach with the bat in the ODI World Cup in 2023, leading them to the final. But then, the coveted trophy eluded him. In the US and Caribbean, it is not unfair to say Rohit is legacy hunting as a captain. He has five IPL and a Champions League title, but has had no success in the finals of ODI WC and the World Test Championship. It is his last chance to stamp his name in the history books as a World Cup-winning captain. On the other end is Aiden Markram. The teen prodigy who led South Africa to the 2014 U19 WC title. The gifted batter who has been under the lens constantly for not marrying it with deliverables and consistency. It is a common trait the South African shares with his Indian counterpart. For the better part of their careers, they have been called the next-big thing without necessarily delivering on their potential. However, as was the case with Rohit, Markram too shed the shades of the past to emerge as an inspiring leader. According to former South African head coach Russell Domingo, who is the batting coach of Sunrisers Eastern Cape team which Markram captains in SA20 League, the 29-year-old's biggest strength is communication and the relationships he builds with players. "He gets on well with all his players. I think that's the biggest thing for him is that he builds relationships with all his players and he's able to get the best out of that because they generally play for him because he's a really good bloke," Domingo tells this daily. Another common trait that he shares with Rohit.

While he has led Sunrisers to back-to-back titles, this T20 WC has been a different challenge for Markram. Unlike Rohit, the South African has barely scored any runs and has not been able to make an impact with the bat. But he has made up for that with his tactical nous and inspiring fielding efforts. On Saturday, he, too, will be legacy hunting. For, it is his chance to lead the Rainbow Nation to a glory they have never achieved. In the process, he can rewrite how cricketing history perceives him.

Two similar characters. Two super stars in different stages of their career. But only one can have their legacy sealed — should the weather permit — in Barbados. Who will be the last man standing?

Indian team will be looking to end their ICC trophy drought on Saturday | AP

ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP WEST INDIES & USA 2024 JUNE 1-29 — AMERICAN EXPEDITION

THIS TIME FOR AFRICA?

GOMESH S @ Chennai

SOUTH Africa had overpowered Afghanistan to enter their first-ever Men's T20 World Cup final on Wednesday. They had made history and were all set to fly from Trinidad and Tobago to Barbados, where they will face India in the summit clash. However, something happened. Just when they were about to take off, the flight halted at the airport because a small private plane had issues while landing at the Grantley Adams airport in Barbados. As a result, the airport was closed for inspections by the Civil Aviation Authority and the Barbados Police Service.

"It appeared that the landing gear of the private aircraft did not deploy, but it is currently on the runway at GAIA [Grantley Adams International Airport] safely," Sharleen Brown, Corporate Communication Specialist with GAIA, said in a statement. Back in Trinidad, South Africa's flight was delayed for almost six hours before eventually leaving again.

If there ever was an incident that sums up the kind of campaign South Africa have had to the final, this was it. Unbeaten through the league and Super 8s and yet had their share of struggle in almost every game. They lost early wickets against Sri Lanka, had a scare against Netherlands, sealed a four-run win versus Bangladesh and a one-run victory against Nepal. The Super 8s wasn't an easy road either. Despite winning every game until that point, a loss against the West Indies would have shut the door for them. Even in that game, South Africa somehow managed to claw their way back to get across the line. It was only in the semi-final against Afghanistan, they had a comprehensive win.

"It's been just about the perfect campaign without being the perfect campaign," former South Africa coach Russell Domingo tells this daily. "I mean, they haven't always played at their best, but most importantly, they have found a way to win and in World Cups, that's the most important thing. So it's been an amazing campaign thus far and a campaign that they can look back at and be very proud of because they managed to win the tight games and the close contests and that's really a good thing when you come to knockouts."

Now, getting across the line in crunch matches of ICC events is not something South Africa are known for, at least in the past couple of decades. Since the turn of the millennium, Proteas men have lost five semifinals and a quarterfinal across formats. It did not help their cause that they were unlucky and some marginal things went against them. So much so that it had become a thing when it comes to South Africa and World Cups. This year, however, is not the same. Despite not necessarily dominating the proceedings throughout their campaign, the Aiden Markram-led side persisted when put under pressure and survived every single time. "They have not played perfect cricket but they have played the big moments perfectly. So that's a big thing," says Domingo.

Although they only have one hand on the trophy, South Africa have reached the final in itself has had a significant impact back home. Should they go all the way, it will not just have a cultural impact but also financial ramifications, something Cricket South Africa will take with both hands.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

ROAD TO FINAL

INDIA	SOUTH AFRICA
bt Ireland	bt Sri Lanka
bt Pakistan	bt Netherlands
bt US	bt Bangladesh
no result vs Canada	bt Nepal
bt Afghanistan	bt US
bt Bangladesh	bt England
bt Australia	bt West Indies
bt England (SF)	bt Afghanistan (SF)

EXPRESS READ

US Open: Rajawat, Malvika into quarters

FORT WORTH (USA): India's Priyanshu Rajawat stormed into the men's singles quarterfinals with a 21-18, 21-16 win over Chinese Taipei's Huang Yu Kai in the US Open Super 300 badminton tournament. Malvika Bansod also entered quarters in the women's singles after beating Czech Republic's Tereza Svabikova 15-21, 21-19, 21-14.

Draws for Pragg, Gukesh in Round 2

BUCHAREST (ROMANIA): World Championship challenger D Gukesh played out a hard-fought draw with Ian Nepomniachtchi of Russia, while fellow Indian R Praggnanandhaa shared points with Maxime Vachier-Lagrave of France in the second round of the Superbet Chess Classic, a part of the Grand Chess tour on Friday.

SW19: India's Nagal gets tough draw

LONDON: Sumit Nagal is set to make his maiden appearance in the men's singles main draw of the Wimbledon and he will be up against higher-ranked Miomir Kecmanovic of Serbia in Round 1. Nagal is placed in the same section of the draw as World No. 1 Jannik Sinner and could face the latter in the third round if he makes it that far.

Javelin thrower Manu could be in dope net

PANCHKULA: Javelin thrower DP Manu has been asked to stay away from competitions by the Athletics Federation of India on the instructions of the NADA as he is suspected to have been caught in the dope net. Manu was more or less certain to qualify for the Games through world ranking quota but is set to miss it after the latest development.

Copa America: USA campaign hang by a thread after shock loss to Panama

AGENCIES @ Atlanta

A MOMENT of madness from Timothy Weah left the USA's Copa America campaign hanging by a thread on Thursday as the hosts crashed to a shock 2-1 defeat to Panama. Juventus winger Weah was sent off in the 18th minute after an off-the-ball clash with Panama's Roderick Miller in a stormy Group C battle at Atlanta's Mercedes-Benz Stadium.

Although Folarin Balogun fired the US into the lead four minutes after Weah's dismissal, Panama's extra man advantage ultimately took its toll and the Central Americans hit back with goals from Cesar Blackman and Jose Fajardo to seal victory. The defeat means the United States will almost certainly have to win or draw against group leaders Uruguay in their final group game next Monday to have any chance of advancing to the knockout rounds. Uruguay all but assured themselves of a place in the last eight with a thumping 5-0 win over Bolivia in East Rutherford on Thursday.

In Atlanta, meanwhile, US coach Gregg Berhalter said after his team's defeat that Weah's red card had been the decisive moment of the match, describing the sending off as "silly."

"The match-changing event is obviously the red card and it puts us in a tough spot but we expected that from them," Berhalter said. "I can't fault the effort of the group, especially after going down a man. The guys dug in and we were close to coming out with a point. But it's a shame, because there was more in this game, and a silly decision by Timmy leaves us shorthanded." **Results:** Uruguay 5-0 Bolivia; Panama 2-1 USA.

Panama players celebrate their shock 2-1 win over USA in a Copa America match on Thursday | AFP

Next games: Argentina **vs** Peru | 5:30 am (IST Sunday morning); Canada **vs** Chile | 5:30 am

Germany, Italy face tricky tests

Germany will be up against Denmark as the Euro 2024 Round of 16 stage begins. Italy will face Switzerland in the other match.

SWITZERLAND VS ITALY | 9:30 PM

Champions Italy needed a 98th minute equaliser against Croatia to secure second spot in Group B, five points behind tournament standard-setters Spain. Luciano Spalletti's new-look side has looked far from convincing and they'll be up against Switzerland, a side more than capable of threatening any side (as was evident during their last group game against Germany).

GERMANY VS DENMARK | 12:30 AM

Germany were riding high after dominant wins over Scotland and Hungary. However, the hosts had a tough outing against Switzerland, where they needed a stoppage-time goal to earn a point. It was a wake-up call that they needed as they face Denmark next. Well-drilled and with a smattering of excellent players at top clubs, 2020 semi-finalists Denmark resemble Switzerland in many ways.

Live on Sony Pictures Networks

Parvej upbeat despite missing out on Olympics

INDRANEEL DAS @ Panchkula

THE Shivalik range was a hazy silhouette in the horizon. As the evening dusk settled in and the floodlights shone brightly, the hills melted in the darkness and were forgotten. If not for lucky breaks and streaks of fancy performances, Parvej Khan would have just languished in a dusty village in Mewat district, Haryana.

For the better part of the race, Parvej was chasing, just like his passion, the leader of the 1500m pack at the inter-state senior nationals here. Then he accelerated, with his chain between his teeth he passed the pack and finished the race in front. Things were not easy for him when he started. Like most athletes in the country, he too had a modest beginning, his share of struggles. Joining an US institution and pursuing sport were not even in his dreams. Yet he did. He has been training in Florida for almost a year.

On Friday, Parvej clocked 3:42.95s and finished ahead of Yoonus Shah of Uttar Pradesh with a timing of 3:43.88s and Mehedi Hassan of Assam, who managed 3:44.40s. The mind is the space that athletes consider sacred and it is this space that Parvej felt should remain healthy and he said as much. "It is not about staying healthy, it is about staying mentally fit as well," he said. He believes the little difference in the training in the West helps an athlete to prosper. "The coaches know when to stop," he said.

Had the timings been better, he could qualified for the Olympics but Parvej knew things would not be easy. The conditions were a bit hostile. The humidity was sapping. Things didn't go his way and he settled for the medal and he was pleased with his effort. "I wanted to qualify for the Olympics but could not achieve it," said Parvej. He seemed relaxed and not overtly worried. Taking things in his stride has been the epitome of his personality. "My season is almost over and I will try to do well in the competitions next year. There are quite a few like the Asian Championships, and then the Asian Games in 2026. I was not running for better timing. You need better conditions and competitiveness to clock a better time."

Parvej's lucky break in the US came through an Instagram friend, who suggested him to try his luck with the Florida University. His best timing in the US was 3:36.21 (in Portland in the USA earlier this month). "It is a nice feeling," said Parvej.

"It was a very good experience to be back in the country. I'm running in a national championship after one year. I also had an injury after running in India. I have had some personal setbacks too as my uncle died a few days back." **RESULTS: Men: 100m:** Gurindervir Singh (Punjab) 10.32 secs, Animesh Kujur (Odisha) 10.46s, Amlan Borgohain (Assam) 10.49s; **400m:** Muhammed Anas (Kerala) 45.93s, Muhammed Ajmal (Kerala) 45.93s, Mohit Kumar (Haryana) 46.15s; **1500m:** Parvej Khan (Haryana) 3:42.95s, Yoonus Shah (Uttar Pradesh) 3:43.88s, Mehedi Hassan (Assam) 3:44.40s; **Discus:** Nirbhay Singh (Haryana) 55.44m, Gagandeep Singh (Punjab) 53.33m, Oinam Singh (Manipur) 52.09m; **Women: 100m:** Sneha SS (Karnataka) 11.62 secs, Giridharani Ravi Kumar (Tamil Nadu) 11.77s, Nithya Gandhe (Telangana) 11.79s; **400m:** Kiran Pahal (Haryana) 50.92s (MR), Deepanshi (Haryana) 52.01s, Dandi Jyothika Sri (Andhra Pradesh) 52.11s; **1500m:** Lili Das (West Bengal) 4:13.87s, KM Chanda (Delhi) 4:14.85s, KM Deeksha (Madhya Pradesh) 4:18.38s; **Shot put:** Abha Khatua (Maharashtra) 17.63m, Kachnar Chaudhary (Rajasthan) 16.76m, Srishti Vig (Delhi) 15.11m; **Pole vault:** Rosy Paulraj (Tamil Nadu) 4.00m, Pavithra Venkatesh (Tamil Nadu) 4.00m, Mariya Jaison (Kerala) 3.90m.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

When Biggie crashed Beethoven's ballet at Chepauk

KALYANI MANGALE @ Chennai

TEST cricket is supposed to be the classical music of cricket. It has its manners and etiquette. It has its own rhythm. Unlike many easy-to-consume music genres, one has to develop a taste for it gradually. You cannot rush classical music. It goes by, but you have to be an active listener to enjoy every intricate detail. And the joy one gets after a particular piece hits the peak, well, it is unparalleled.

Take any piece. From Johann Strauss' The Blue Danube to Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 and from Antonio Vivaldi's Four Seasons to Mozart's Eine Kleine Nachtmusik, the core remains the same.

Test cricket is "supposed" to be like that.

The batters are supposed to take their time. The bowlers are supposed to be active every single ball and let the spectators soak it all in. None of it happened in Chennai on the opening day of the Test when Smriti Mandhana and Shafali Verma piled on runs to break record after record against South Africa.

To be honest, there was an overture, a piece of music played by an orchestra at the beginning when both sides were trying to gauge each other. It lasted for some eight overs when India were scoring at two runs per over. Verma had only hit one boundary till then. As someone who was coming into this Test with a relatively lean patch, that boundary felt like a welcome change. A neat Test cricket cover drive. The swelling Chennai crowd applauded it with enthusiasm as well. However, no one would have thought the duo was just building the groundwork to break a good deal of records in women's Tests. By the time the day ended, Mandhana had smashed 149 runs while Shafali went on to hit a record double century (205). Day one was a box office hit as India finished with 525/4 in 98 overs. What was supposed to be the Beethoven-esque ballet recital, was turned into a hip-hop show for the ages. **Brief scores:** India 1st innings 525/4 in 98 ovs (Shafali 205, Smriti 149, Jemimah 55, Kaur 42 n.o, Richa 43 n.o; Tucker 2/141) vs England.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Openers Shafali Verma (L) & Smriti Mandhana shared a 292-run stand on day one of the one-off Test | P RAVIKUMAR

Philanthropies contributed $646 million of biodiversity finance in 2021, while private funding mobilised by public finance reached $749 million in the same year. Business operations biodiversity-aligned are under-reported

Reintroduction of blackbucks in the Balukhand-Konark wildlife sanctuary

IN ODISHA

Fresh push for conservation of the majestic blackbucks

SUDARSAN MAHARANA @ Bhubaneswar

Buoyed by the success of Gharial conservation in Mahanadi river under the species recovery programme, the Odisha forest department has now initiated measures to revive the population of another majestic species — the blackbuck. The department released 10 of these Indian antelopes in the Balukhand-Konark wildlife sanctuary in Puri this month. The species had once thrived in the area but became locally extinct due to various factors, including poaching and natural disasters.

However, under the species recovery programme, the wildlife wing of the state Forest, Environment and Climate Change department has rolled out a plan that not only intends to revive the blackbuck population in Balukhand-Konark sanctuary, but also aims to preserve the species in different biomes so that it can be supplemented to other forests when the need arises.

Blackbuck is one of the three species of the antelopes found in Odisha, the other two being Nilgai (Boselaphus tragocamelus) and the Chowsingha (Tetracercus quadricornis).

Though conservation efforts in the past have helped the state increase the population of the endangered creature, the Bhetnoi landscape in Ganjam district is the only place in Odisha that holds the single population of the schedule-I animal that prefers plain land having ample water sources.

In the last count in 2023, Ganjam district had a blackbuck population of 7,743, almost double the tally eight years ago. Keeping in view the single population, which is vulnerable to multiple threats and can collapse under pressure, the department initiated measures for reintroduction of the species back to Balukhand and was accorded permission from the wildlife division of the forest ministry in February this year.

Officials of the Puri Wildlife Division said blackbucks used to be found in Balukhand-Konark sanctuary till 2012 but vanished completely thereafter, mostly due to habitat loss, natural calamities and growing human interference. Cyclone Fani that ravaged Odisha in May 2019 after its landfall in Puri district, had also caused extensive damage to the Balukhand sanctuary.

The groundwork by the wildlife wing in reviving the Balukhand's green cover and creating fresh patches of meadow, enabled the forest department to reintroduce the species to the sanctuary. The Puri Wildlife Division has created around 3 hectares of meadow in the sanctuary spread over 87 sq km.

PCCF (Wildlife) and Chief Wildlife Warden Susanta Nanda said around 10 blackbucks, four male and six female, from Nandankanan have been released into the sanctuary. Steps are being taken to bring in more of these antelopes. Officials of the Puri Wildlife Division said a total 33 blackbucks have been planned to be introduced from Nandankanan Zoo and Ganjam.

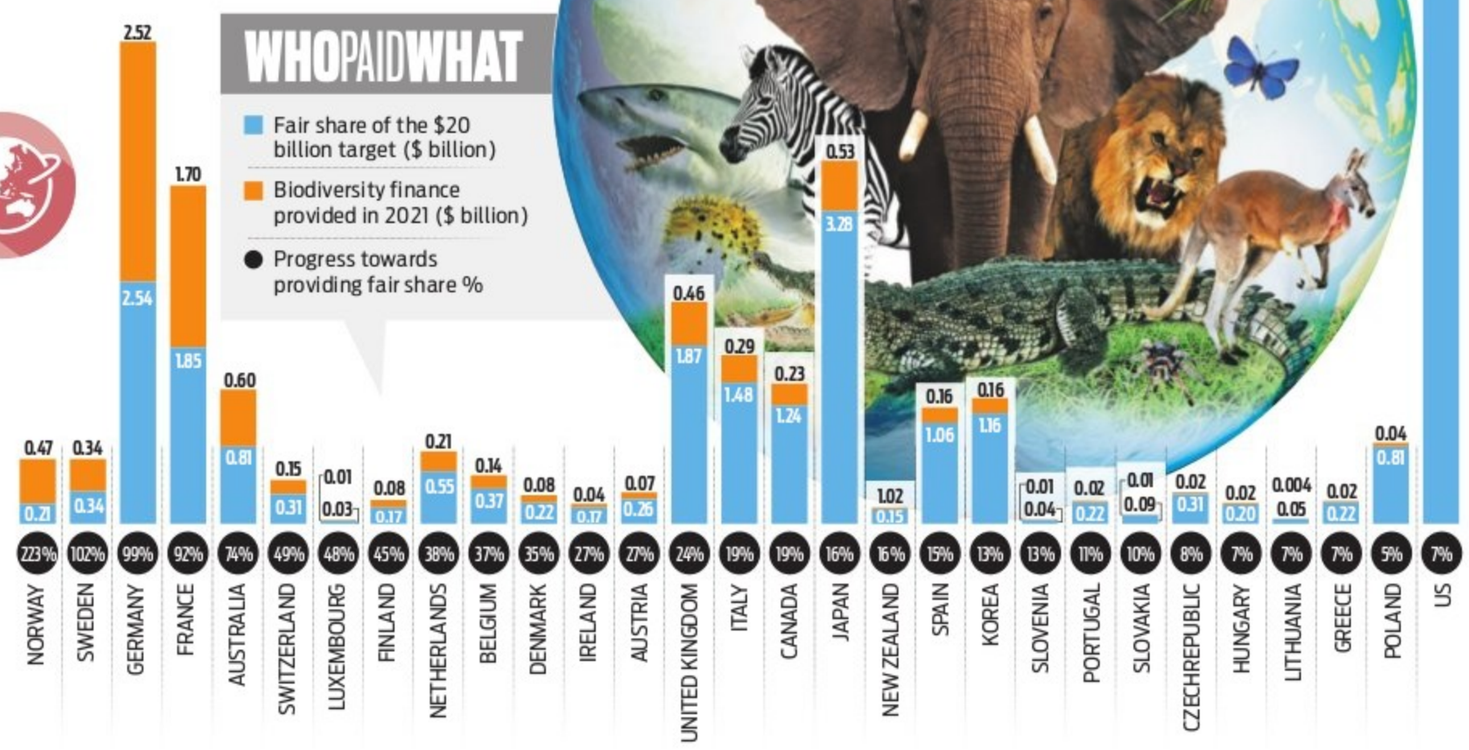
Apart from the 10 released from Nandankanan, they said, 15 more will be released from the Zoo, while another eight will be translocated from Ganjam in the next two phases. Puri (Wildlife) DFO Vivek Kumar said the next three years will be critical for them in reestablishing the blackbuck population in their natural habitat.

Wildlife conservationist Aditya Chandra Panda lauded the efforts. He hoped due diligence was done to ensure the revival of the blackbuck habitat. "As with any wildlife reintroduction project, this project too shall have inherent risk factors and possibly even mortality. But that is an intrinsic part of wildlife management and should not be allowed to become a roadblock," he said.

As against the **Kunming Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework** adopted in 2022, only two out of 28 nations contributed their fair share of the $20 billion biodiversity finance in 2021. This will be intensely contested by developing nations at the forthcoming UN Biodiversity Conference in Colombia in October-November

HOLLOW BIODIVERSITY FINANCE

BY RICH CREATES TRUST DEFICIT AHEAD OF COP16



The poorest performers in relative terms are in southern and eastern Europe. At the very bottom of the ranking, Greece should provide 10 times more than it does, and Poland should provide 20 times more. Lithuania, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Portugal and Slovenia also provide less than 15% of their fair share. While the absolute volume of biodiversity finance these countries should provide is small, their failure to meet this target may reflect the low importance they assign to biodiversity conservation.

Falling short of the annual minimum of $20 billion a year would undermine the Kunming Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework's implementation and efforts to meet its targets.

Laetitia Pettinotti, Lead Author and Research Fellow at ODI, said: "Failing to reach the target undermines the UN Convention on Biological Diversity and damages trust. But far more importantly, this failure represents a genuine threat to our shared prosperity, livelihoods, economies and health. We hope this report serves as a wake-up call for high income countries to fulfil their obligations – their contributions to biodiversity finance are critically important and must increase."

Mary Robinson, the former President of Ireland, said: "The world is already spending $1.8 trillion each year on subsidizing industries that are destroying nature. The pledge of $20 billion a year is equivalent to only 1.1%, or about four days, of those subsidies. Wealthy governments have no excuse but to act with greater urgency to deliver on the promise that they made at COP15 to deliver finance to poorer countries by 2025."

US sets bad example

One of the world's largest and richest economies is not on the list of obligatory biodiversity finance providers. The US is a developed country, but it is not a party to the Convention and as such did not commit itself to contributing to the $20 billion target. Yet, the US is the country most responsible for international biodiversity depletion between 1961 and 2021, accounting for 42% of developed countries' collective footprint and 18% of all countries' footprint. It is also one of only two countries in the world that has not ratified the Convention.

The US currently provides biodiversity finance (albeit not under the auspices of the Convention), but its contribution of $0.89 billion in 2021 falls far short of its fair share as estimated using ODI's methodology. To put the US' biodiversity finance provision in context, it provided less than one-sixth of the biodiversity finance of the European Union member states – even though its economy measured by gross national income was nearly 42% larger in 2021.

Only two countries obliged

Earlier this month, the Overseas Development Institute (ODI), a global affairs think tank published a report looking at each developed country's fair share of the $20 billion (noting that this is a minimum target) based on each country's historic responsibility for biodiversity depletion measured by ecological footprint over the past 60 years, capacity to pay, measured by gross national income, and population.

The report further analysed each developed country's progress towards their fair share of biodiversity finance provision in 2021, the most recent year for which data was available.

Only two countries contributed their fair share of the $20 billion in 2021: Norway and Sweden. Germany and France come close to paying their fair share, and Australia is also not far off. However, most developed countries (23 out of 28) do not provide even half of their fair share of biodiversity finance. South Korea, Spain, Japan, Canada, Italy and the UK stand out for their poor performance in absolute terms: each should provide at least a $1 billion more (and $8.2 billion combined). Japan provided 16% of what it should pay, falling short of its fair share by $2.7 billion. This resulted in an $11.6 billion shortfall to the minimum target of $20 billion.

IN 2022, countries that are Party to the Convention on Biological Diversity, the main multilateral governance entity for biodiversity, adopted the Kunming Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework to address the growing challenges posed by biodiversity loss. The Framework commits Parties to a list of specific targets, one of which is to provide at least $20 billion a year to developing countries by 2025, increasing to at least $30 billion a year by 2030. While such finance is an agreed-upon responsibility dating back to the Convention's establishment in 1992, it was for the first time the inclusion of an explicit quantified dollar target for biodiversity finance was achieved.

It is a very modest amount compared to the actual biodiversity loss and finance gap, which is pegged at $700 billion a year between now and 2030 - 35 times greater than the $20 billion amount.

Several assessments indicate human activities have damaged the integrity of the biosphere to the extent that we are no longer in a 'safe operating space', and can expect compounding and cascading risks due to biodiversity loss. As per the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) 2019 report, an estimated 1 million species – a quarter of known species globally – currently face extinction. Of the assessed species, 41% of amphibians, 27% of mammals, 21% of reptiles and 13% of birds are threatened, said the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) report in 2022. Over the past 150 years, over 10% of the genetic diversity of plants and animals is calculated to have been lost. Despite the magnitude of the problem, the rich countries, who are party to the Convention, have shown utter disregard to the $20 billion commitment.

THE TRANSITION AWAY FROM COAL WILL LEAD TO ONE OF THE BIGGEST SOCIO-ECONOMIC UPHEAVALS OF THE 21ST CENTURY WITH FAR-REACHING IMPACT ON THE EXTREMELY VULNERABLE POPULATION THAT DEPENDS ON IT FOR ITS LIVELIHOOD, FINDS STUDY

Caste of India's coal

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

INDIA'S energy transition from coal to clean energy is at its crossroads. It poses significant challenges to millions of people belonging to the lower and backward castes, who are directly or indirectly engaged in the coal supply chain. They could end up losing their sole source of livelihood, which would limit their access to education and the health infrastructure.

A new study, "At the Crossroads: Marginalised Communities and the Just Transition Dilemma" carried out by the National Foundation for India (NFI), explored these questions on socio-economic inequality in coal and coal-allied districts in Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Odisha.

India adopted the 'Just transition' policy under the Paris Agreement 2015 and further reinforced its commitment to achieve net zero by 2070 at Glasgow in 2021. Under its international obligation, India started legislating policy and schemes to decarbonise its energy and shift to cleaner fuels and technology.

The country's commitment at the international forum will at some point lead to the phasing down of coal. It will result in job losses for coal miners and workers, which will have a ripple effect on the local economy. Such workers will no longer have their source of income, making it difficult to sustain their families. A consequent drop in the local economy will follow.

Mined coal fuels India's energy security, which is indispensable for industrial and technological advancement. As much as 75% of the country's power generation relies on coal-fired plants. The fuel's phase out will lead to decrease in the demand of coal, leaving millions of coal workers and thousands of power plant workers in the lurch.

However, phasing out of coal will have a positive impact on the environment and benefit the overall health of the economy. "Prevalent theory of energy transition is mostly debated through the lens of sustainability transition and does not sufficiently address the complex inter-mingled web of governance, laws and bodies for different components of energy, land, coal mining and communities," said Biraj Patnaik, executive director, NFI.

'Unjust' energy transition

The study highlights that around 82% of the population engaged in the coal-related economy surveyed in six districts, hails from the Other Backward Classes (OBCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs), and Scheduled Castes (SCs). Around 42% of them fall under the OBC category, 23% STs and 17% SCs.

People from the marginalised communities in coal-dependent districts, such as Koriya, Dhanbad and Ramgarh, have high engagement ratios in coal-sector occupations — 39%, 42.14%, and 18.7%, respectively. In contrast, households from the general categories engaged in coal in Koriya, Dhanbad and Ramgarh comprise just 3%, 7% and nil, respectively.

The report sheds light on the disproportionate impact of coal transition on the marginalised and backward communities as they constitute a major part of the workforce. However, the caste equation gets different in coal-allied districts like Angul and Jajpur of Odisha.

In Angul, 5.5%, 6.6% and 27.8% of SCs, STs, and OBCs respectively are working in the coal sector, which is a clear shift from what was observed in other districts.

Angul and Jajpur-like districts have diversified industries like mining, power and metallurgy and other downstream units. They have a higher presence of people from the general or upper castes. It also reflects on the income side. The median income of Angul is the highest (₹30,000/month) among all six districts studied while it is the lowest in Ramgarh (₹6,000/month) where the presence of the general category is almost nil.

It is clear from the study that members of lower and backward castes earn less than their general caste counterparts in coal and coal-allied districts. Besides, Dhanbad and Koriya - which are solely reliant on coal production - reported lower incomes compared to more diversified industrial districts like Angul.

Further, the living condition of most of the people in the coal and coal-allied districts is distressing. The report underlines the prevalence of respiratory ailments and skin issues due to prolonged exposure to coal related pollutants. It also observed that the affected people are concerned about women's safety, limited educational opportunities, caste-based inequalities and inadequate access to basic services.

"The findings highlight the stark caste-based inequalities in access to education and livelihood opportunities in coal-dependent regions," said Patnaik.

The study suggests a framework for community-specific policies and robust institutional mechanisms to address the socio-economic impacts of coal transition on the marginalised communities. They include upskilling the largely under-educated workforce as well as rehabilitation and compensation with coordination and cooperation at the Centre, state and local levels.

Average monthly wages in six coal and coal-allied districts

District	Wage	District	Wage
Ramgarh	₹6,000	Jajpur	₹10,882
Dhanbad	₹7,500	Raigarh	₹16,503
Koriya	₹9,213	Angul	₹28,670

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On this day in 1988, incumbent Vigdís Finnbogadottir won over a female candidate in Iceland's presidential election for a 3rd four-year term

ELECTION WINS

Vigdís served for 16 years, making her the longest- serving elected female head of state to date. In 1984 and 1992, she ran uncontested. In 1988, she won with 94.6% of the vote

INSPIRATIONAL

She became the world's first woman President. Icelandic females grew up with her as a role model, encouraging to be involved in the country's politics

ONE OF A KIND

Leading the way, Iceland is currently the world's most gender equal country. It outperforms in equal pay and participation in the workplace

A curated guide to happenings in the city

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TNIE EXCLUSIVE

South view of Emergency

(***Excerpts*** *from the upcoming memoirs of former law minister P Shiv Shankar)*

INDIA was brought under a state of Emergency with effect from the 25th of June 1975, citing "internal disturbances". The Presidential Order issued under Article 352 of the Constitution was signed by the then President of India, Shri Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed.

With the benefit of hindsight, I can say that this appears to have been an ill-conceived and ill-advised move, both administratively and politically. I say hindsight because it was only after the Emergency was withdrawn on the 21st of March 1977 that news started coming out about the 'excesses' committed during those two years. Until then, as there were restrictions imposed on the press, there was ignorance as to what actually happened in the country during the Emergency.

From my later discussions with Mrs Gandhi, I got the impression that she was not very well-versed with the Constitution of India. She did seem to have consulted constitutional experts while declaring the Emergency, mainly Shri Siddarth Shankar Ray, one of the top lawyers in the country and the architect of the Emergency. At the time of declaring the Emergency and during those two years, Shri Sanjay Gandhi was all powerful, in fact the de facto Prime Minister. The general opinion was that he would get things done his way through a closed group of aides around him. Shri Ray was one of them and misused his proximity to Sanjay Gandhi to influence the enforcement of the decree.

The Emergency showed that Mrs Indira Gandhi had her own share of fallacies and insecurities. That she could be susceptible to sycophancy and be carried away by a few deceitful and sweet-talking persons was evident when she made Shri Dev Kanth Barooah the president of the Congress Party in 1975. Shri Barooah's only claim to fame was his one-line utterance in 1974, "India is Indira, Indira is India!" There could not be a better example of an opportunist in politics. He won Mrs Gandhi's favour to become the Congress President in 1975. But the moment she lost power in 1977, he migrated to the faction which expelled her from the party and formed the Congress (Urs)!

This propensity to be sidetracked by sycophants was a contrast to the valorous image of 'Durga', as the opposition stalwart Atal Bihari Vajpayee described her after the 1971 war with Pakistan. Various other heroic names and images were pinned to her because of the way she conceived and put into action the very daring decision to go to war with Pakistan, breaking down its citadel after citadel, taking on its military strengths head on and reducing them to nothing in just 13 days.

Here I wish to divulge a conversation I had with her as a minister. Waiting for a meeting to start, she had time on her hands and was in a mood to talk. Somehow the discussion turned towards the 1971 war, and I asked her whether the Pokhran nuclear test in 1974 was her threat signal to Pakistan that the 1971 attack was not a one-off act, and if forced, India could and would increase its belligerence. Her reply stunned me! She told me that the Pokhran explosion had nothing to do with Pakistan. It was her way of standing eyeball to eyeball with the USA for sending its Seventh Fleet into the Bay of Bengal in support of Pakistan and threatening India to withdraw from the war.

While Mrs Gandhi had hawkish advisers around her since she became Prime Minister, she also had technically correct people whose opinions she would consider. She weighed her options sensibly and ultimately took her own decisions rather than go blindly with the hawks. In later years, I was witness to this quality in her of heeding to sane advice on the most complex issues after firmly setting aside advice from the hawks. In the case of the 1971 war as well, it was well reported in the media that she decided to go along with the guidance of Gen. Sam Manekshaw on the timing and execution of the war, overriding her hawkish advisers who were pushing her in a different non-technical direction.

As far as the Emergency was concerned, South India had a different experience of those two years than North India. The North-South divide has been debated in our country since times immemorial. Indeed, the South has suffered step-motherly treatment in spite of contributing (along with West Bengal) immense intellectual and human resources and revenues to the nation – much more than the North. Ironically, the silver lining to this cloud of discrimination was that the Emergency probably worked positively for the South while the North suffered. I will be bold enough to say that the Emergency years proved to be the best period for South India since Independence. For one, government offices did not just work on time but worked efficiently for a change. Every government servant reported to office on time, rarely left the premises during working hours and stayed on late to complete pending work. More importantly, corruption was minimal, as good as non-existent. The South did also not witness excesses to the same degree as committed in the North. In respect of human rights violations, curbing of civil liberties or forceful sterilisations, the South seemed to have taken a far lighter beating than the North.

That the South did not experience the negative effects of Emergency was clearly evident in the elections held after the decree was lifted in 1977. While the North overwhelmingly voted for the Janata Party, the South stayed strongly with Mrs Gandhi, giving the boot to the Janata Party as well as the Congress (Urs), which claimed to be the original Congress. My state of Andhra Pradesh stood steadfast with Mrs Gandhi, with the Indira Congress winning 41 of the 42 Lok Sabha seats in the 1977 general election, and a handsome majority of 175 seats in the 1978 Assembly election.

Dakshin result
1977 elections

KARNATAKA LS ELECTION
Total seats: **28**
Congress: **26**
Janata / BLD: **2**

KARNATAKA ASSEMBLY
Total seats: **224**
INC(I) **149**
Janata Party: **59**
INC (O): **2**

KERALA LS ELECTION
Total seats: **20**
INC **11 + 5**
CPI / CPM: **4**

KERALA ASSEMBLY
Total seats: **140**
INC-led Front: **111**
CPI-led Front: **29**

TAMIL NADU LS ELECTION
INC + AIADMK + CPI: **14 + 17 + 3**
Janata Party + INC (O) + DMK: **0+3+2**

ANDHRA PRADESH LS ELECTION
Total seats: **42**
INC + Janata Party: **41+1**

AP **(42)** + Tamil Nadu **(39)** + Karnataka **(28)** + Kerala **(20)** = **129**
INC + allies: **117**
Janata Party + allies: **12**

FINGERS CROSSED!

With its place in the ICC Men's T20 World Cup final sealed, Team India's winning streak has many Bengalureans buoyant about the team's chances at clinching the title

MONIKA MONALISA

WHAT are your plans for this evening? While you still figure it out, Mukesh Mishra, a city-based techie, has his in place. A potluck at home with friends over, the gang will be watching the T20 World Cup finals where Team India fights it out against South Africa. Mishra will also be holding on to his lucky charm, his daughter, a little extra closer as he watches the match.

A die-hard cricket fan, he is extremely excited about today's match and can't wait for his favourite team to lift the trophy. "We have been to the last two finals. The first was the Test World Championship which was followed by the ODI World Cup finals, where we lost that one match in Ahmedabad. I still feel the pain of that loss. And now we are getting a third chance," says Mishra, adding, "England was a tough contestant. I'm sure we will be on top of this match."

Although the common wish of every Indian right now is for Team India to clinch the trophy, cricket lovers are also hoping for a competitive match. While it is thrilling, it can also get quite strenuous as actor Brinda Acharya puts it. "To be honest, it is difficult for me to sit through the whole match as the pressure builds. The fact that India has not lost any match in the tournament is some sort of assurance that we have a strong chance. But the finals are different; anything can happen," says Acharya, who will be watching the match with a friend travelling from Delhi.

With spectacular performances by the men in blue, including easy wins against some of the toughest competitors like Australia and England, many are excited about the team's chances at the finals. "There were doubts about how our Indian players, who are used to playing in fast pitches like in the IPL, would adjust to slow pitches like those in the West Indies, but they have adapted very well to the pitch," says director 'Simple' Suni.

For content creator Minal Raj, given the team's performance so far this season, winning is secondary. "It's always a great feeling when India is in the finals – winning or not is secondary. With IPL matches, you are always split by the cities in which team your favourite player is but when India plays, people unanimously come together to cheer for the country."

GRUB HUB

Aslam Gafoor (@aslamgafoor) is a hospitality professional with experience in business development, sales, and marketing with well-known hotels and food and beverage companies. A few of his passions are travel, food and wine, and he enjoys sharing these experiences as a columnist.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Food quiz'** The correct answers and names of the first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE* on Monday. The first-prize winner will receive a voucher worth ₹2,000 from Caraway Kitchen, Conrad Bengaluru**

1. What is the name of the French stew traditionally made with spring vegetables and lamb?
2. Which Italian dish, often served in summer, is made with fresh tomatoes, mozzarella, and basil?
3. What is the traditional Norwegian dish made from dried whitefish soaked in lye?

CITY READ

10,000+ students, 70+ colleges, 50-odd events at CMR Cultura-24

The CMR Institute of Technology Bengaluru hosted CMR Cultura 24, a fusion of music, art, cultural displays, and tech innovation, drawing participants from across the country. Over 10,000 students from 70+ colleges competed in more than 50 events during the two-day festival held at CMRIT's ITPL campus. Cultura 2024, the annual inter-college cultural and tech festival, is a celebration of technology and art.

BOOK NOOK

Not in Love
by Ali Hazelwood

Not in Love is a delightful enemies-to-lovers story. This novel follows two rival scientists, Dr Katrina 'Trina' Moore and Dr Liam Stafford, who are forced to collaborate on a research project. As they work together, sparks fly, despite their insistence that they're 'not in love'.

Past Present Future
by Rachel Lynn Solomon

Rowan and Neil, once rivals, fall in love and start a long-distance relationship as they begin college in different states. This young adult fiction showcases their challenges, personal growth, and evolving relationship through calls, visits, and adventures.

The Ministry of Time
by Kaliane Bradley

The story takes place in a future London and follows a company that brings people from history to visit. It mixes romance, time travel adventure, and state-of-the-nation commentary with a clever and ferociously funny effect.

Red Faces
by Shinoy

Red Faces is a tapestry of Malayalam short stories that delve into the myriad shades of human emotion. Inspired by real-life incidents and encounters with people, these stories are rich with the essence of life and belief that unfold as a series of poignant anecdotes.

CLASSIC TOUCH

A performance of the Kannada Dalit poet-playwright Siddalingaiah's *Panchama* at Kannada Bhavana, JC Road on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

NOWSTREAMING

REGIONAL

SHARMAJEE KI BETI (Hindi)

Multi-generational ensemble about the modern, middle-class female experience and the lives of urban women, all with the common surname of Sharma.

Cast: Saiyami Kher, Divya Dutta, Sharib Hashmi

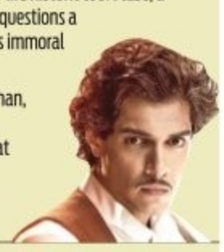
- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

MAHARAJ (Hindi)

Based on a real-life historic court case, a bold journalist questions a revered leader's immoral behaviour.

Cast: Junaid Khan, Sharvari Wagh, Jaideep Ahlawat

- **Wacth on:** Netflix



FOREIGN

THE BEAR S3 (English, series)

A young chef from the fine dining world comes home to Chicago to run his family sandwich shop after a heartbreaking death in his family. As Carmy fights to transform both the shop and himself, he works alongside a rough-around-the-edges kitchen crew that ultimately reveals itself as his chosen family.

Cast: Jeremy Allen White, Molly Gordon, Abby Elliott

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

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FITBIT

SUKHASANA VARIATION ARMS UP
(EASY POSE VARIATION ARMS UP)

This is a powerful pose performed in Sukhasana. The word 'Sukham' signifies delight or bliss, and 'asana' means posture. It is a beginner-level restorative pose with arms stretched upwards, the practice helps in opening the chest, rib cage, side body, and shoulders and gives length throughout the torso. It emphasises on deeper breathing and better awareness. Included in a Vinyasa flow, this is a transition pose that helps boost energy in the body and is considered a warm-up pose to prepare the body for more intense yoga poses or yoga flows.

STEPS

- Sit straight with your legs stretched out in front of your body.
- Bend your left leg and place the left foot beneath the right thigh.
- Similarly, bend the right leg and place the right foot beneath the left thigh.
- Make sure to rest the outer edge of your feet on the floor.
- While here, adjust yourself and get comfortable in the pose.
- Ensure that your head, neck, and spine are erect without strain.
- Then, raise your arms as you inhale and stretch them out, extending them from the upper shoulders.
- Exhale and bring your arms down, moving them from behind you while you feel the stretch at the upper shoulders and neck.
- Repeat the raising and relaxing of the arms for about four times, along with breathing.
- With each turn, take the arms deeper upwards and deeper backwards.

BENEFITS

- Included in yoga for beginners as a transition or preparation pose before moving into arm-challenging poses.
- Increases the blood circulation across the spinal cord and helps to keep the spine healthy and supple.
- Targets the opening of the shoulders.
- Opens the sides of the body, shoulders, and chest, providing length throughout the torso and stretched arms.
- Helps relieve the pain and pressure from the shoulder joint.
- Acts as a support for the diaphragm and intercostal muscles, making breathing easy and smooth.
- Included in therapeutic yoga for asthmatic students.
- Relieves tightness and stiffness around the shoulders and neck.
- Aids in building strength and flexibility in the arms and shoulders.
- Also helps to improve body posture.

LIMITATIONS

- If you have undergone knee, ankle, or hip surgery, or have an injury to the groin, pelvis, hips, shoulders, rib cage, wrists, knees, or ankles, or have weak knee joints, ankles, wrists, lower back, are facing pelvic stiffness, or frozen shoulders, avoid this pose.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

QUICKFIX

INSTANT MANGO PICKLE

INGREDIENTS

- **Raw mangoes:** 2 small, diced
- **Red chilli powder:** 1 tsp
- **Haldi powder:** 1/2 tsp
- **Salt:** 1 tsp

FOR TADKA

- **Neutral oil:** 1 tbsp
- **Mustard seeds:** 1 tsp
- **Hing:** 1/2 tsp
- **Dried red chillies:** 2
- **Curry leaves:** 10

METHOD

- Take a bowl and toss the mangoes in.
- Add red chilli, haldi powder, and salt. Mix well.
- Add the tadka and stir for about a minute.
- Grease the sides of a jar with vinegar.
- Fill it with the mango pickle.

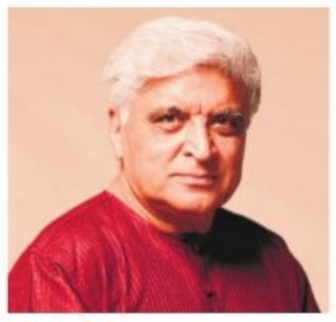
Contributed by **Tarini Uppal**, New Delhi

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Mind Games

Experience a perfect blend of strategy and enjoyment in this chess meetup as you delve into the thrill of chess regardless of your skill level.

WHEN: June 30, 10am
WHERE: The Market Place, RMZ Infinity **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com



Musical Revere

Immerse yourself in an evening of poetic excellence with timeless songs penned by renowned poet **Javed Akthar** in this musical concert, featuring top artistes from Bengaluru and Mumbai. **WHEN:** June 30, 5.45 pm
WHERE: Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Gandhi Nagar **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Graceful Curves

Unleash the dancer in you and express yourself through contemporary dance, a form that combines elements from various styles, including jazz, ballet, modern, and hip-hop.

WHEN: June 29, 3pm
WHERE: New York Dance classes, BTM 2nd Stage
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Weekend Magic

Join **Nikhil Raj**'s two-hour workshop, specially-curated for children aged 6-12, to learn magic and improve creativity, dexterity, communication, and confidence. Children will get to also explore improv magic, allowing them to perform tricks with everyday items.

WHEN: June 29, 4pm **WHERE:** Celebrations Unlimited Studio, Kanakapura Road **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Talking Books

Attend this human library event where you get to engage in conversations, meet new people and expose yourself to different and new perspectives.

WHEN: June 29, 2.15pm
WHERE: Happiness Cafe, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Colourful Creations

Immerse yourself in a colourful journey and explore your artistic potential in this acrylic painting workshop.

WHEN: June 29, 1pm
WHERE: SmallWorld ST Bed, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Recharge & Reset

De-stress and relax with The Revitalised Mom, a specially-curated workshop for women by coach **Sucheta Pal**, where you will learn how to boost your energy levels throughout all stages of motherhood.

WHEN: June 29, 10am
WHERE: MaxBurn Studio, Koramangala
CALL: 9108383925

Tracing History

Attend Madhurav, a show presented by actor **Madhura Welankar Satam** that narrates the rich history of the Marathi language through drama, music, and acting.

WHEN: June 30, 10am
WHERE: Indiranagar Sangeetha Sabha, Indiranagar
DETAILS: ticketalay.com

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Artist Thayanithi Paramasivam, through his oil painting, portrays the bonding of South Indian sisters and the traditions they carry

RUBINATIONS
Rubi Chakravarti
Writer, actor and funny girl

MAID IN HEAVEN... NOT!

Iliyas, Digvijay Singh, Madhu Nataraj and Hamish Lindsay

CURRENTLY, it seems like I have fallen into the cyclical trap of being 'Maid-less-in-Manhattan'! It's always an eye-opener for me to see the type of expectations that we have on both sides of the spectrum.

The help wants the maximum salary for the least amount of work, (it's calculated hourly with no SOP's) about what could be done in that hour. In my abode, I had to tippy-toe around my 'mighty maid' while she had loud conversations with her spouse or her boyfriend. Depending on the volume, I could only hazard a guess whether my home would be mopped or would yours truly (moi) have to do the restrooms again for the third time in a week!

One day I mustered up the courage to politely tell her to fight with her spouse on her own time and...lo and behold! I was left 'Bai-less in Bengaluru'! Not only that the other 'ammas' were told I was a harridan and to work with me at their own peril! Sigh! How I wish I had been one. So, not to be outdone by 'acrimonious-amma', I got myself a mothers-little-helper (a robot) that maps your rooms and vacuums and mops your house. Every couple of days I get myself a couple of 'brawny boys' from a local agency who wash and scrub my powder-rooms till they sparkle like 'Rubies'! I have a lot of travel in the anvil, so my home will be locked and sealed. I will not be beaten down by a 'baleful-bai'!

But naturally, one must also partake in one's meals outside the residence as much as possible to avoid washing the dishes. My predicament is such that my 'cooker-offer' as my baby son used to refer to her, and who has been with me forever, doesn't like to see unwashed dishes in the sink. So I must hastily wash all the little cups and plates before she turns up! My life is wretched I tell you!

But, my demeanour changed to a happy and giggly one as I made good use of all the 'lost dates' with my girlfriends. My 'other half' was in Mumbai and I used my time effectively by hitting every hot spot I had missed with a vengeance.

I ultimately landed up at Hotel Conrad Bengaluru with my BFF Alka, to spend a glorious evening tasting the Aberlour range of single malts with their very young and knowledgeable brand Ambassador, Hamish Lindsay. As a 28-year-old, his knowledge about the spirit wowed us all till I caught sight of his tartan skirt and realised that as a full-fledged Scotsman, he probably started out late! The food paired by chef Iliyas was perfectly curated for the smooth-as-silk Aberlour. Our small and informed table of fellow connoisseurs, made for very pleasant (which soon turned raucous) conversations! Not so bad being 'Bai-less' me thinks!

I love it when events are conjoined with a great cause where people who can make a difference in terms of either stature or finance come together to make the world a better place I was indeed honoured to meet Kailash Satyarthi, a Nobel Peace Prize laureate, who was awarded for his struggle against the suppression of children and their right to an education. The compassion guru moved even the three-time Grammy winner Ricky Kej, to enthral us with his Rhythm-of-the-Earth concert at The Leela Palace to raise awareness.

Compassion, Chagrin and Complacency...not bad for weekly emotions!

(The writer's views are personal)

Kailash Satyarthi, Madhav Sehgal and Ricky Kej

Fusion flavours

MIXOLOGY
Kaushik
The writer is beverage head, Nom Nom Bangalore

THE world of mixology is constantly evolving, with bartenders and enthusiasts alike seeking new ways to tantalise the taste buds and create unforgettable drinking experiences. One trend that has gained significant traction in recent years is the incorporation of Asian-inspired flavours into cocktails. From fragrant herbs to exotic fruits, Asian cuisine offers a treasure trove of ingredients that can elevate cocktails to new heights of flavour and sophistication.

Exploring Unique Asian Ingredients

At the heart of Asian-inspired cocktails are the diverse and aromatic ingredients that lend their distinctive flavours to each drink. Lemongrass, with its refreshing citrusy notes, adds a burst of freshness to summer cocktails, while ginger infuses drinks with a warm and spicy kick that tantalises the palate. Yuzu, a Japanese citrus fruit prized for its tartness and floral fragrance, brings a unique twist to cocktails, while Thai basil offers an anise-like flavour profile that adds complexity and depth.

Kaffir lime leaves, with their citrusy and slightly sweet aroma, lend a tropical and invigorating character to cocktails, rounding out the flavour profile with their bright essence. Each of these ingredients has its own story to tell, rooted in the rich culinary traditions of Asia, and incorporating them into cocktails is a celebration of culture and craftsmanship.

Techniques for Infusing Flavours

To unlock the full potential of Asian-inspired flavours, we employ a variety of techniques to infuse cocktails with the essence of these unique ingredients. Infusions are a popular method, allowing spirits to be infused with the flavours of lemongrass, ginger, or kaffir lime leaves, resulting in a robust and consistent flavour profile.

Homemade syrups offer another avenue for incorporating Asian flavours into cocktails, with ingredients like yuzu, ginger, and Thai basil lending their distinct tastes to sweeten drinks and add depth and complexity. Muddling fresh herbs and fruits releases their essential oils and juices, intensifying their flavours and providing a burst of freshness to cocktails.

Vinegar-based shrubs infused with ginger or lemongrass provide a tangy and complex layer of flavour, enhancing the overall drinking experience and adding a unique twist to classic cocktails.

From the fragrant spices of Thailand to the delicate flavours of Japan, incorporating Asian-inspired flavours into cocktails is a journey of exploration and creativity. So raise a glass to the bold flavours of Asia and embark on a culinary adventure without leaving the comfort of your favourite cocktail bar. Cheers!

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SAJEEDA BEGUM THAHAR** R/at No.42, Syed Imam Saheb Layout, Vijinapura, Doorvaninagar, Bengaluru- 560016 have changed my name to **SAJIDA BEGUM** vide affidavit dated: 27/6/2024 Before Notary **Sivakumara M.N** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **VENITA KIM SHEKHAR** R/at No.27, D-007, 7th Cross, Kaggadasapura Main Road, Vignana Nagar, New Thippasandra, Bengaluru-560075 have changed my name to **VENITHA KIM SHEKHAR** vide affidavit dated: 19/6/2024 Before Notary **Sivakumara M.N** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **VENKATESH GOVINDRAJ** R/at No.8/1, BEML Township Road, G M Palya HAL 3rd Stage, New Thippasandra Post, Bengaluru-560075 have changed my name to **VENKATESH GOVINDARAJ** vide affidavit dated: 19/6/2024 Before Notary **Sivakumara M.N** Bangalore.

THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

Change of Name
I ,Chitur Swaminathan SURYANARAYAN, R/o flat No 102, Karthik Appt, Ramgopal layout, Subbanapalya, Banaswadi, Bangalore 33, Hereby, change my name to **SURYANARAYAN C.S.** Henceforth, I shall be known as **SURYANARAYAN C.S.** Sworn & signed before Notary on 25-6-24

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SERVICE NO. 15321747X HAV K ARASA KUMAR, Residing at House NO. 3/581, Nadar Street, Kovilangulam (Vill & Post), Aruppukottai (TK), Virudhunagar (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 626107, Have Changed My Son Name **(OLD NAME) SAM JEYAKUMAR** to **(NEW NAME) A SAM JEYAKUMAR** Vide Affidavit Dated 26.06.2024 Sworn Before Notary S.I. BALAGURU BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
We, **Bhavin Harshadbhai Desai** and **Grishma Bhavin Desai**, Parents of **Nirek Bhavin Desai**, R/o #54, Himagiri Meadows, Bannerghatta Road, Gottigere, Bengaluru - 560083, do hereby declares that, we have changed our son's name from **NIREK DESAI** to **NIREK BHAVIN DESAI**, Henceforth he shall be known and called as **NIREK BHAVIN DESAI** only, vide affidavit dated 28/06/2024 sworn before advocate and notary K C Pemmaiah, at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Aswathi .K.P**, Aged 35 years, D/o. K.P. Balan, Parambath House, Pathayakkunnu, near Moozhivayal Pattiam, Pathayakkunnu, Kannur, Kerala - 670 691, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter name from **Najat** to **Aaradhya .K.P** vide affidavit dated 21.06.2024 sworn to before S. Samuel Solomon, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **No 14837418X HAV TAMILARASAN K** of 5001 ASC Bn(Home Address) D No 67/85, Poonthottam, Krishnagiri Post, Taluk & Dist, Tamilnadu - 635001 have changed my son name **AKAASH K T** (Existing name) as per my Army service records to **AAKASH T** (Proposed name) vide Affidavit dt 26.06.2024 before Notary Mr M Baskaran, BA LLB at Krishnagiri.
HAV TAMILARASAN

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Jitendra Kumar, S/o Bhawarlal Jain, resident of #109, Diagonal Road, VV Puram, Bengaluru- 560 004, have changed my name from **JITENDRA KUMAR BHAWARLALJI** to **JITENDRA KUMAR** vide affidavit dated 28-06-2024 sworn before Notary V. Rajashekara, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **LEELA NITHYANANDA, W/o K Nityanandan, aged 57 years, Residing at No.316, 11th A Cross, 20th Main, J.P. Nagar, 2nd Phase, Bengaluru-560078, Karnataka, have changed my name to GANASHEELA vide affidavit dated: 27.06.2024 sworn to before notary Gangaraju B.N, Bengaluru**

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SIRI S.G**, previousy called **SIRISHA P & SIRI SANTOSH GAI,** Wife of Sri. Santosh Gai, aged about 41 years, residing at No. 296, Vidyapeeta Road, Chennamanakere Achukattu, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore - 560 085. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name to **"SIRI S.G"** vide Affidavit dated 18.06.2024, Sworn before Advocate and Notary S.N. Madhu, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAGHAVENDRA A** R/o 8, K 1834/67/1, Haripriya Life Style Layout, Doddanagamangala, Electronic city phase-2 declare that my son's name is **KUSHITH SAI A R** in all records, where as in his 5th std TC his name is entered as **KUSHITH SAI AR** and his mother's name as **KUSUMA A R** Hence this affidavit to produce before NIOS DELHI and other competant authority for rectification as **KUSHITH SAI A R** and mother's name as **KUSUMA A R** before Notary B.M. Chandrashekar at Bangalore on 26-06-2024.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Smt. MANALI SUROUTHIYA** D/o Sri Pramod Kumar Surouthiya, age 33 years, R/at No. A-151, Deen Dayal Nagar, Near Bharat Mata Mandir, Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh-284 003, presently R/at Flat No. 4012, Tower-4, Prestige Shantinikethan, Whitefield, Bengaluru-560 048 do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **Ms. SOUMILI MUKHOPADHYAY** to **Ms. TIYA MUKHOPADHYAY**, henceforth she shall be known and called as **Ms. TIYA MUKHOPADHYAY** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 28-06-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **P.N. NAGESHA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sundaramma Aliyas Anusha** D/o Hanumanthe Gowda, W/o Sepoy B.V Prashanth R/o 423, 12th "A" Main, Sector "A" opposite to Bishop Cotton College, Yelahanka, New Town, Bangalore-560 064 have changed my name to **Anusha.**

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MADDURI NAGA SANTHOSHA RAJA RAJESHWARI** Presently residing at No.52, 8th Cross, T.C.Palya Main Road, Muninanjappa Layout, Ramamurthynagar, Bengaluru - 560016. Henceforth changed my name to **MADDURI NAGA SANTHOSHA RAJA RAJINI,** vide Affidavit dated: 26-06-2024 before Notary **T.C.Thimmaraja,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MAHABOOB PASHA** S/o ABDUL BASHEER, R/at No.743, 10th Cross, Arundhati Nagar, Chandra Layout, Bangalore-560 039, hereby declare that in my driving license my father's name wrongly mentioned as ASLAM insted of ABDUL BASHEER. I hereby request the concerned authorities to correct the name as **MAHABOOB PASHA S/o ABDUL BASHEER** in my driving license.
Vide affidavit dated: 21-06-2024, sworn before Notary M.K.Devaki, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **N Hemalatha** W/o Nataraj Nanjappan R/a No. #33/2, 7th Cross, Vishnu Sai Building, Chocolate Factory Road, Near Spurthy Hosiptal, Thavarekere. Bengaluru-560029. I Have Changed My Name From **N HEMALATHA** To **N.SRI HEMALATHAA** Vide Affidavit Date: 26.06.2024. Sworn Before Notary: A.S.Narayana Reddy.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Mr. BHARATHKUMAR LINGAREDDY and Mrs. PUNITHA BHARATHKUMAR REDDY,** Residing at No. 547, Sadashiva Nilaya, 14th Main, 23rd Cross, HSR Layout, Sector 7, Bengaluru-560102, have changed our minor son's name from **ARYAN REDDY BHARATH (Given Name)** to **ARYAN (Given Name) REDDY BHARATH (Surname),** vide affidavit dated: 28.06.2024 before notary GANGARAJU .B.N., Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
KARNATAKA STATE BAR COUNCIL, OLD ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE, DR. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI, BANGALORE-560001
NOTIFICATION No. 38/2024
DATED: 27.06.2024
The Bar Council in its meeting dated **28th April, 2024,** vide **Res. No. 36/2024,** has permitted the following advocate to change her name from Smt. VEENA BAI D.S., Advocate, Bengaluru to **'VEENA RAO' (Kar/2463/2000)**
SUNITHA K.N, I/c Secretary
Karnataka State Bar Council
Bangalore Dated: 27-06-2024

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) DAISY ALICE NALINI** Residing at No.487/1, 21st Cross, Chavara Church Lane, Ejipura, Bangalore, Viveknagar, Bangalore, Karnataka 560047, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) DAISY ALICE NALINI to (NEW NAME) DAISY ANDREW** vide affidavit dated 27.06.2024 sworn before Notary V.Rajashekhara BA., LLB, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sri PRADEEP B JOSHI,** S/o Bhaskar R Joshi, age 35 years, R/at Flat No. 808 D2, SNN Raj Serenity, Akshay Nagar, Begur, Bengaluru, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **TRISHALA PRADEEP JOSHI** to **TANISHKA PRADEEP JOSHI,** henceforth she shall be known and called as **TANISHKA PRADEEP JOSHI** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 25-06-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **G. DAYANANDA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **LEENA GURUDATH,** Aged about 53 Years, D/o. Mr C K Rajan, Residing at No.101, A Block, Sai Sri Pride, Dr. B R Ambedkar Road, Flower Garden, Babusapalya, VTC: Bangalore North, PO: Kalyananagar, Sub District, Bangalore North, District: Bangalore, State: Karnataka - 560043, had changed my name and adopted my new name **"LEENA RAJAN"** before the Notary Public Shri. SIVAKUMARA .M.N., Bangalore on 17th day of February 2024.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ANIL NITODI NAYAK** (Old name) S/o. NITODI RATHNAKAR NAYAK, date of Birth: 07-11-1967 R/o No. 422, 8TH CROSS, 2ND BLOCK, R.T.NAGAR, BENGALURU – 560 032, have changed my name (new name) to **ANIL R NAYAK** for all purposes, Notary affidavit **27/06/2024.**

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAGHAVENDRA PURNACHAR, S/o PURNACHAR GOWDGERE (Late),** residing at Flat 401, KC Apartments, 2nd Main, 3rd Cross, JP Nagar III Phase, Bengaluru-560078, Karnataka, India, changed the name of my minor son aged 3 years 10 months (DoB: - 22/09/2020), from **NEELMADHAVA** to **NEELMADHAVA R VEDANTHI** vide affidavit dated 18.06.2024, sworn before Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Army No. 6499711Y Rank: Sep Name GEETHAVANAN Present residing at Permanent Address:-417/2 Ambedkar Nagar W.T block Bangarapet Kolar Karnataka 563120 I have changed my Mother's Name From **AMUDHA to AMUDHA M** vide affidavit dated 27-06-2024 swom to before advocate and notary Smt. A. Manjula, Bangalore

CHANGE OF DATE OF BIRTH
I, **Siddaramaiah** S/o Late Siddappa, aged about 65 years residing at Doddagundappanayakana halli village, Sasalu hobli, Aroodi Post Doddaballapur taluk, Bangalore rural district-561204, Karnataka. my son **RENUKA PRASAD G.S** correct date of birth is 02/11/2005. But Indian Certificate of Secondary Education (Class X) Examination, New Delhi, Unique ID (Reg No. 7943087) Mentioned as his date of birth is **11/2/2005.** I declare that my son Correct date of birth is **02/11/2005** vide affidavit date 26/6/2024 Doddaballapur. before Advocate & Notary Sri.Chandrashekar

CHANGE OF NAME
KARNATAKA STATE BAR COUNCIL, OLD ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE, DR. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI, BANGALORE-560001
NOTIFICATION No. 38/2024
DATED: 27.06.2024
The Bar Council in its meeting dated **28th April, 2024,** vide **Res. No. 36/2024,** has permitted the following advocate to change his name from Sri Prasanna D.K, Advocate, Bengaluru to **'PRASANNA KEMPEGOWDA' (Kar/1753/2012)**
SUNITHA K.N, I/c Secretary
Karnataka State Bar Council
Bangalore Dated: 27-06-2024

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) SANGEETHA GIREESH,** Spouse of NO15322750K HAV K GIREESH, Residing at Krishna Bhavan, Kumbukala Vilai, Pon Manai (Post), Kanyakumari (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 629161, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) SANGEETHA P.G,** Vide Affidavit Dated 24.06.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SANJIV KUMAR** S/o Rajendra, age 31 years, R/at No. 108, Krishna Medicals, Kempegowda Layout, Laggere, Bengaluru-560 058 do hereby declare that all the names i.e. **SANJIV KUMAR** and **SANJAY** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SANJIV KUMAR** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 27-06-2024, sworn before VII ACMM Court, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **GANGAPPA S HOMBAL**, S/o. Shekhappa, Aged about 45 years, residing at Flat No. 22098, Prestige Jindal City, Building-2, Tower-2, 9th Floor, Tumkur Main Road, Near Metro Station, Chikkabidarakallu, Nagasandra Post, Bengaluru - 560 073, do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **MANU G HOMBAL** to **RISHAB G HOMBAL** (ರಿಷಬ್ ಜಿ. ಹೊಂಬಾಳ) vide affidavit dated 27.06.2024 sworn to before Lakshminarayana, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **TABASSUM SULTANA,** W/o Mujahid Pasha residing at No.03, MIG 1st Floor, 4th Phase, 707 House, 1st Main, Yelhanka New Town, Near AIR Qtrs, #451, Maheshwaramma Temple Street, Maheshwaramma Temple, Yelhanka, Bengaluru - 560064, have changed my name from **BIBI HAJIRA** to **TABASSUM SULTANA** vide Affidavit dated : 27/06/2024 before Notary **S.R.Ravikumar,** Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SIDDESH NAGENDRA,** aged about 37 years, S/o. Mr. M.S. Nagendra, residing at #2, 1st main Road, 3rd Block, 4th Stage, Basaveshwar Nagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore- 560079, declare that in my personal records such as Aadhar Card and Pan Card it is mentioned as **Mr. Siddesh M.N** and in the Passport it is mentioned as **Mr. Siddesh Marasu Nagendra.** Therefore Mr. Siddesh M.N, Mr. Siddesh Marasu Nagendra and Mr. Siddesh Nagendra belong to only one person and that person is me, hereafter I shall be called as **Mr. Siddesh Nagendra,** vide Affidavit dated **16.05.2024**, sworn before the Notary **B.M.Chandra Shekar.**

DECLARATION
I, **ALAMELAMMA. D.S** W/o Shri V.S. Gopal, aged around 81 years, currently residing at No. 121A, 1st Cross, 1st Main, Royal Residency Layout, Near Sai Baba Temple, BTM 4th Stage, Bengaluru South, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru 560 076,, hereby declare that my names **SMT. ALAMELU and ALAMELAMMA. D.S** belongs to one and the same person, and that is myself. I will be using my name **ALAMELAMMA D S** for all purposes. vide affidavit dated 26-06-2024 sworn to before advocate and notary M.S. Satish, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHIVAMMA** W/o Sri. Shankarappa P.S, residing at No.200, 7th 'A' Cross, Sri Sampada Nilaya, Soundarya Layout, Siddedahalli Post, Bangalore-560073, Karnataka, declare that I, have change my name from **SHIVAMMA**(old Name) to **SHIVAMATHI.P.S** (New Name) vide dated 24-06-2024 sworn before Notary T.Y.Bhadravijaya, Bangalore. Henceforth I shall be known as **SHIVAMATHI.P.S** in all my future documents.

CHANGE OF NAME
KARNATAKA STATE BAR COUNCIL, OLD ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE, DR. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI, BANGALORE-560001
NOTIFICATION No. 38/2024
DATED: 27.06.2024
The Bar Council in its meeting dated **28th April, 2024,** vide **Res. No. 36/2024,** has permitted the following advocate to change his name from Sri Matada Veerabhadraiah, Advocate, Ballari to **'CHIKKYATE MATADA VEERABHADRAIAH' (Kar/4704/2023)**
SUNITHA K.N, I/c Secretary
Karnataka State Bar Council
Bangalore Dated: 27-06-2024

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SERVICE NO JC- 333206W SUB MAJ SHAKIR HUSSAIN PATAN, Residing at Vill-5, Guru Raghavendra Royal Palms, Balaji Layout, Gajularamaram (Vill & Post), Quthbullapur (Tehsil), Medchal Malkajgiri (Dist), TELANGANA (State), PIN: 500055, Have Changed My Name Self **(OLD NAME) SHAKIR HUSSAIN PATAN** to **(NEW NAME) SHAKIR HUSSAIN PATHAN,** Vide Affidavit Dated 24.06.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SYED REHMAN** (OLD NAME), S/o. SYED KHIZER RESIDING AT:NO. 17, 2ND CROSS, DINNUR MAIN ROAD, AKKAMMA BLOCK, R. TNAGAR, BENGALURU- 560032, HAVE CHANGED MY PREVIOUS NAME **"SYED REHMAN"** TO NEW NAME **"SYED RAHMAN"** VIDE BEFORE THE NOTARY AFFIDAVIT DATED 27-06-2024, **SIVAKUMARA M.N,** BENGALURU METROPOLITAN AREA, FOR ALL OFFICIAL AND LEGAL PURPOSES.

DECLARATION OF NAME
I, **SMT. SHWETHA S.R,** W/o Siddharth Ramesh Pawar, aged 37 years, residing at No.23, 3rd B Cross, Maruthi Layout, H.A.F Post, Dasarahalli, Bengaluru-560024, INDIA, may also be known, recognised, identified as **SMT. SHWETHA SHIVAJIRAO PAWAR** for all purposes as per the Affidavit sworn to before G.B Turamari, Notary Public, Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru on 25th June, 2024.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) MUKTHIAR AHAMED** Residing at No.889, New No 24, 15th Cross, Davis Road, Bangalore - 560045, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) MUKTHIAR AHAMED to (NEW NAME) SYED MUKHTIAR AHMED** vide affidavit dated 26.06.2024 sworn before Notary C.Sharada, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **GIRISH T.C,** aged about 47 years, S/o Chandra Shekaraiah T.A, R/at No. #32, Halasahalli-Thippasandra, Gunjur Post, Via Varthur, Bangalore - 560087.
I declare that in my Aadhar Card and Pan Card my name is mentioned as **"GIRISH T.C"**, and in my School Records is as mentioned as **"GIRISHA T.C"** both are one & the same, from hereafter my name is Changed as **"GIRISH T.C"**, vide Affidavit dated **26.06.2024**, sworn before the Notary by name **Vyshali. K,** at Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **R. SARANYA,** W/o Ramesh.D, aged about 35 years, residing at No. 07, 2nd Cross, V.R Puram. Palace Guttahalli, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru - 560 003, hereby declare that my names **R. SARANYA and SARANYA .V** belongs to one and the same person, henceforth, I have decided to continue my name in future as **R. SARANYA** vide affidavit dated 25-06-2024 sworn to before advocate and notary M.S. Satish, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RASHMI M NADIGER** W/o **Praveen Keshavarao Desai** R/at No.404/406, Parking Floor, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main Soundarya Layout, Siddedahalli, Bengaluru - 560073 have changed my name to **PRAGNYA PRAVEEN DESAI** vide affidavit dated: 28/6/2024 Before Notary **M.K.Devaki** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
KARNATAKA STATE BAR COUNCIL, OLD ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE, DR. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI, BANGALORE-560001
NOTIFICATION No. 38/2024
DATED: 27.06.2024
The Bar Council in its meeting dated **28th April, 2024,** vide **Res. No. 36/2024,** has permitted the following advocate to change her name from Smt. Naik Nagaratna Yanko, Advocate, Dharwad to **'RATNA JAIDEEP BAINDUR' (Kar/3087/2009)**
SUNITHA K.N, I/c Secretary
Karnataka State Bar Council
Bangalore Dated: 27-06-2024

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) SHYMALA MANNA,** Mother of NO.JC- 312464H SUB GOPAL MANNA, Residing at Vill & Post: Kharika, PS: Sabong, Dist: Paschim Medinipur, State: WEST BENGAL, PIN: 721144, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) SHYAMALI MANNA,** Vide Affidavit Dated 26.06.2024 Sworn Before Notary S.I.BALAGURU BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAGHAVENDRA .S,** S/o B. Subbaiah, age 46 years, R/o NO. 18, 13th Cross, Balajinagara, Srping Solutions Opp. Thigalarapalya Main Road, Peenya IInd Stage, Bangalore-560 058 do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **ARYA .R** to **DHYAN ARYA .R,** henceforth he shall be known and called as **DHYAN ARYA .R** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 28-6-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **R.S. VIJAY** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **DINESH KOTHARI,** Resident of No. 94, 1st Floor, Near Aditya Hotel, Gandhi Bazaar Main Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560 004, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **DINESH KUMAR KOTHARI** to **DINESH KOTHARI** vide affidavit dated 28.06.2024 sworn to before Mamatha N.K., Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Service No.10291276H, Rank Hav **Dileep Kumar P** of Unit 1014 DSC PL, HAL, Bangalore, C/o 56 APO, do hereby declare that in my Service Records my Daughters name was wrongly /erroneously recorded as **Adithya Dileep** instead of **Adithya Dileep D** as per Birth Certificate and School Document, Hence I have Changed my daughters name to **Adithya Dileep D** vide Affividavit Dated 28th June 2024 before Notary Guna Shekar, Bengaluru- 560005

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Smt. CHAITHRA,** W/o Sri. Rangaswamy, aged about 42 years, R/at Muneshwara Badavane, Chikkagollarahatti, Opp: Muneshwara Temple, Lakshmipura, Bangalore - 562123. I have changed my name From **"CHIKKAMMA T."** to **"SMT. CHAITRA"** vide Affidavit dated **27.06.2024**, sworn before the Notary by name **Uday Kariyappa B.G.** at Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PINKAL SANCHETI**, W/o. MANOJ KUMAR SANCHETI, aged about 50 years, residing at No. OC1103, Olive Tower, Park West Apts., Jagjeevanaramnagar, Binnepete, Magadi Road, Bangalore -560023, Karnataka, hereby declare that my names **PINKAL SANCHETI and PINKAL (MANOJKUMAR SANCHETI PINKAL)** belongs to one and the same person, henceforth, I have decided to continue my name in future as **PINKAL SANCHETI** vide affidavit dated 28-06-2024 sworn to before advocate and notary Aravind Patil G.G., Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PUNITH NAYAKA S.** aged 22 years, S/o. Shekar H., residing at No. 184/2, Ramaiah Building, Jalahalli Village, Bengaluru-560013, have changed my name from **PUNITH NAYAK S.** to **PUNITH NAYAKA S.** vide affidavit dated: 21-06-2024 sworn before Notary **H.S. SAKALESH ARADHYA,** BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME
KARNATAKA STATE BAR COUNCIL, OLD ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE, DR. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI, BANGALORE-560001
NOTIFICATION No. 38/2024
DATED: 27.06.2024
The Bar Council in its meeting dated **28th April, 2024,** vide **Res. No. 36/2024,** has permitted the following advocate to change her name from Smt. Champa, Advocate, Bengaluru to **'CHAMPA .M' (Kar/1680/2017).**
SUNITHA K.N, I/c Secretary
Karnataka State Bar Council
Bangalore Dated: 27-06-2024

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) SHAKIR HUSSAIN PATHAN** to **(NEW NAME) SHAKIR HUSSAIN PATAN,** Vide Affidavit Dated 24.06.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAGHAVENDRA .S,** S/o B. Subbaiah, age 46 years, R/o NO. 18, 13th Cross, Balajinagara, Srping Solutions Opp. Thigalarapalya Main Road, Peenya IInd Stage, Bangalore-560 058 do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **DHYAN ARYA .R** to **RAGHAVENDRA .S** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 28-6-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **R.S. VIJAY** at Bangalore.

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CHANGE OF NAME
I, **TABASSUM SULTANA,** W/o Mujahid Pasha residing at No.03, MIG 1st Floor, 4th Phase, 707 House, 1st Main, Yelhanka New Town, Near AIR Qtrs, #451, Maheshwaramma Temple Street, Maheshwaramma Temple, Yelhanka, Bengaluru - 560064, have changed my name from **BIBI HAJIRA** to **TABASSUM SULTANA** vide affidavit dated : 27/06/2024 before Notary **S.R.Ravikumar,** Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SIDDESH NAGENDRA,** aged about 37 years, S/o. Mr. M.S. Nagendra, residing at #2, 1st main Road, 3rd Block, 4th Stage, Basaveshwar Nagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore- 560079, declare that in my personal records such as Aadhar Card and Pan Card it is mentioned as **Mr. Siddesh M.N** and in the Passport it is mentioned as **Mr. Siddesh Marasu Nagendra.** Therefore Mr. Siddesh M.N, Mr. Siddesh Marasu Nagendra and Mr. Siddesh Nagendra belong to only one person and that person is me, hereafter I shall be called as **Mr. Siddesh Nagendra,** vide Affidavit dated **16.05.2024**, sworn before the Notary **B.M.Chandra Shekar.**

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **GIRISH T.C,** aged about 47 years, S/o Chandra Shekaraiah T.A, R/at No. #32, Halasahalli-Thippasandra, Gunjur Post, Via Varthur, Bangalore - 560087.
I declare that in my Aadhar Card and Pan Card my name is mentioned as **"GIRISH T.C"**, and in my School Records is as mentioned as **"GIRISHA T.C"** both are one & the same, from hereafter my name is Changed as **"GIRISH T.C"**, vide Affidavit dated **26.06.2024**, sworn before the Notary by name **Vyshali. K,** at Bangalore

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CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHIVAMMA** W/o Sri. Shankarappa P.S, residing at No.200, 7th 'A' Cross, Sri Sampada Nilaya, Soundarya Layout, Siddedahalli Post, Bangalore-560073, Karnataka, declare that I, have change my name from **SHIVAMMA**(old Name) to **SHIVAMATHI.P.S** (New Name) vide dated 24-06-2024 sworn before Notary T.Y.Bhadravijaya, Bangalore. Henceforth I shall be known as **SHIVAMATHI.P.S** in all my future documents.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RASHMI M NADIGER** W/o **Praveen Keshavarao Desai** R/at No.404/406, Parking Floor, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main Soundarya Layout, Siddedahalli, Bengaluru - 560073 have changed my name to **PRAGNYA PRAVEEN DESAI** vide affidavit dated: 28/6/2024 Before Notary **M.K.Devaki** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
KARNATAKA STATE BAR COUNCIL, OLD ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE, DR. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI, BANGALORE-560001
NOTIFICATION No. 38/2024
**DATED: 27.06.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ME

Director: Rakesh Kadri

Cast: Chaithra Achar, Siddharth Madyamika, Siddhu Mullimani, Gopal Krishna Deshpande, Rachana Rai and Archana Kottige

A WITTY, HEARTFELT BLACK COMEDY WITH PROFOUND THEMES

A SHARADHAA

DIRECTOR Rakesh Kadri has tasted success in Tulu cinema with the 2019 theatrical release *Girgit*, which he co-created with Roopesh Shetty. With *Happy Birthday to Me*, he ventures into a new territory for him for the first time: the OTT space. Interestingly, Kadri openly acknowledges that his inspiration for the film is Alfred Hitchcock's 1948 film *Rope*, yet he crafts his own narrative that showcases his versatility and keen understanding of the differences between traditional cinema and emerging digital platforms.

Happy Birthday to Me unfolds as a quirky black comedy with an unconventional plot revolving around death. Featuring a compact ensemble and absurdist humour, the film navigates a chaotic birthday celebration that takes a dramatic turn with an unexpected death. The story revolves around birthday boy Puneeth (Sidhaartha Maadhyamika) and his flatmate Tirumalesh, fondly called Trippy (Siddhu Mulimani). Puneeth, intent on celebrating his birthday his way, tries to dismiss his friends at his flat. However, what starts as an exciting celebration takes an unexpected turn when a female guest (Chaithra Achar) meets an untimely demise in his apartment. This sets off a series of comedic misadventures as they attempt to discreetly remove the body while contending with a slew of visitors: Puneeth's girlfriend, Seema (Rachana Rai), landlord Janardhan (Gopal Krishna Deshpande), neighbour (Archana Kottige), apartment security (Natya Ranga), as well as friends Suhan Prasad, Rahul Amin, and Arpith Indravadhan.

While the premise of dealing with a dead body isn't novel in cinema, *Happy Birthday to Me* distinguishes itself through its unique treatment. The film blends dark comedy with quirky elements, offering a fresh take on familiar tropes that is engaging and refreshing for audiences seeking unconventional narratives. Director Kadri effectively balances comedic elements with such a grave situation as a character's death. The storyline may be chaotic, but Kadri's treatment ensures that the film marries it with profound themes. Beyond its comedic facade, the film subtly explores themes such as friendship dynamics in a crisis, the consequences of reckless actions, and the moral quandaries that its characters face, all with a mix of wit and heartfelt insight. Through its narrative, the film immerses audiences in the lively atmosphere of youthful celebrations and probes the essence of true friendship—being there through both joyous highs and turbulent lows. The film is urban and contemporary, featuring candid dialogue that openly discusses topics related to unconventional substances and explicit language.

RATING 3.5/5

It is easy to see why *Happy Birthday to Me* invites a critical examination of Kadri's directorial choices. He is adept at captivating viewers' attention while leveraging the advantages that OTT platforms offer in terms of creative freedom and audience reach. Moreover, each actor in *Happy Birthday to Me* impeccably crafts their character. Chaithra Achar stands at the story's core, while Siddharth Madyamika and Siddhu Mullimani form a dynamic duo that enriches the plot. Gopal Krishna Deshpande comes late into the film but adds depth to his role, and Rachana Rai and Archana Kottige contribute significantly, ensuring their respective characters don't come across as mere stereotypes. Particularly noteworthy is Siddhu's ability to infuse his character with comic brilliance, making it one of his most entertaining performances.

The story, characters, and perfectly orchestrated music guide you through two hours of suspenseful enjoyment. However, *Happy Birthday to Me* does leave one longing for a more satisfying climax. Nevertheless, whether you're seeking a fresh take on suspense cinema or simply in the mood for a comedy that pushes cinematic boundaries, the film is as unconventional as it is entertaining. It makes you laugh, ponder, and perhaps reconsider your next birthday bash—because with Rakesh Kadri at the helm, even death can't dampen the party.

This incredible spectacle needed more compelling storytelling

SUDHIR SRINIVASAN

KALKI 2898 AD

Director: Nag Ashwin

Cast: Amitabh Bachchan, Prabhas, Kamal Haasan, Deepika Padukone, Shobhana, Saswata Chatterjee

WHILE watching *Kalki 2898 AD*, I remember, from time to time, being so enchanted by the world-building and the scale and detail of it all, that nothing else seemed to matter. The neon signs, the rusty structures, the futuristic (decadent?) designs (of Kasi, of guns and ammo, of the vehicles…), the hanging, inverted pyramid, the costumes that speak of conflicting worlds, the suspended villain, the Matrix-like technology that feeds into wombs… I could go on and on.

Prabhas' Bhairava seems to carry emotional baggage from his past which has convinced him that the only reasonable way to survive in the world is to be selfish and aspire for material joys. He's got friends with whom he's exchanging plenty of banter. He's a cool warrior too who's great with gadgets. And yet, his fun portions don't zing with as much entertainment as they should; his brief emotional portions don't zing with as much pathos as they should. There's a bit of Rebel Star indulgence around Prabhas' introduction, which is a strange choice in a serious film built on mythological foundations. If the ambition of the film is to immerse us in a painstakingly created fictional world, why distract us with star-pandering?

Nag Ashwin offers some compensation in the form of casting-related joys. The carousel of cameos keeps us quite engaged, but I wish it were supplemented with narrative joys too. A flashback about Bhairava and his father that's presented quite seriously results in a character crying—but there's no real emotion.

As Bhairava and Roxie flirt about, it's supposed to be cutesy romantic entertainment, but it only fuels impatience. It's not a good sign when a film over three hours—despite visual and sound glory—makes you wish every few minutes that it would hurry up to get to the point. The film's individual moments are not powerful enough; the writing doesn't necessarily make us resonate with its characters. The Ashwathama-Bhairava fight is set up as an important duel. One is immortal, the other is invincible. But some sparring later, you see the pattern. Bhairava captures; Ashwathama breaks out. And as this duel goes on, the repetition begins to grate. Again, the visuals are great to marvel at. Ashwathama is imposing and channels an ancient form of fighting. Bhairava, meanwhile, relies on gadgets. But once these charms wear off, these scenes seem to keep the story from speeding along.

The film, however, provides us with plenty of ideas to chew on. It's fascinating how Nag Ashwin equates the impending birth of an avatar with the concept of The Chosen One (which, of course, has mythological foundations and so, is a natural fit). Who, after all, is the best candidate for The Chosen One, if not God himself? The problem though is, how do you establish vulnerability when you know God's arrival cannot be stopped? For this reason, it's hard to believe that Sum-80 (a resplendent Deepika Padukone) is ever going to suffer any serious harm. Add to this her ally, Ashwatthama, who we are told cannot be killed too. What are the real dangers then? Who's the big, menacing villain in this film? There's the looming figure of Supreme Yaskin (Kamal Haasan, who looks incredible in this role), but this film offers us little about his character. Any losses Team Sum-80 suffers, ring cursory. Mariam (Shobana) glitters briefly and is expectedly dispensed with. Kyra (Anna Ben) has a great stunt moment, but fizzles out, again, to no real effect. This perhaps is the fundamental issue with *Kalki 2898 AD*, which, despite boasting of iconic world-building, finds it hard to create any real attachment towards its characters.

Around the beginning of the film, we see some beautifully presented snapshots of human horror (hunger, corruption, war, genocide, all of it). This compilation of drawings does more to present a sense of dystopian horror than the events of the actual film. Sure, there's material in the film for you to think about and attribute cause. Women are dispensable objects. Their foetuses are extracted by a Matrix-like machine for the villain's survival. The film also establishes that this world, lacking any real life, seems on the verge of extinction already. So, yes, if you ponder over these details, this world does seem horrific. But the film's job isn't just to inform and expect you to ponder; its job is to make you feel too.

What I did feel strongly was admiration for Nag Ashwin's ambition and imagination. What I also felt was a strong sense of pride about Santhosh Narayanan's score. But as for the storytelling itself, I regretfully didn't feel much—except during those two big moments when the film recreates a scene from the Kurukshetra. Nag Ashwin is smart in how he builds up to this moment towards the end. When Krishna points out to Arjuna that their chariot, protected by Hanuman, driven by a god-charioteer, has still been attacked, it feels like the mother of all punchlines for a hero figure. No Rebel-Star reference can match up to such writing. During *Kalki 2898 AD*, I thought about various great films from recent times. The Marvel films, the Dune films, the Mad Max films, The Hunger Games films, and Game of Thrones too. And perhaps for the first time in the history of our cinema, Nag Ashwin has filled us with confidence that we can create such authentic worlds too, never mind whether it's set in a forgotten past or a dystopian future. And this… is its own sort of achievement.

RATING 3/5

DHANYA RAMKUMAR TO STAR OPPOSITE PRUTHVI AMBAAR IN *CHOWKIDAR*

CE FEATURES

IN a casting coup, the makers of the upcoming film *Chowkidar*, directed by Chandrashekar Bandiyappa and starring Pruthvi Ambaar as the male lead, have finalised Dhanya Ramkumar as its leading lady. This marks Dhanya's first collaboration with Pruthvi Ambaar, promising fresh on-screen chemistry. Billed as an action-packed family entertainer, the film also stars veteran actor Saikumar in a pivotal role.

With plans for a multilingual release, *Chowkidar* is set to reach audiences across languages. Dhanya, known for her debut in Ninna Sanihake and recent role in Sandalwood's The Judgment, gears up for her next release, Powder. *Chowkidar* adds to her diverse portfolio. Produced by Dr Kallahalli Chandra Shekhar under Vidyashekhar Entertainment and featuring music by Sachin Basrur, *Chowkidar* promises to blend action-packed sequences with family-friendly entertainment.

Raj B Shetty unveils his next film *Roopanthara*

CE FEATURES

RAJ B Shetty, who recently shined in the role of Vetrivel Shanmugam opposite Mammootty in the recent Malayalam film Turbo, is now back in the news for his next Kannada project. Through his Instagram account, Raj B Shetty has once again captured the attention of cinema lovers by unveiling the first-look poster of his new film *Roopanthara*, where he plays a pivotal role and serves as the dialogue writer. The film is written and directed by Mithilesh Edavalath.

Sharing the film's poster, he writes, "There are some films that are close to the heart. *Roopanthara* is one such film. It was my privilege to be a part of this project as an actor, and now presenting this film before you is what I consider my fortune. Here is the poster of *Roopanthara*. Soon, we will be in theatres. Be with us, like you always were."

The team behind the renowned film *Ondhu Motteya Kathe* is coming together once again for *Roopanthara* , and Raj B Shetty will also distribute it under the Lighter Buddha Films banner. Produced by Suhan Prasad and Parth Jain, the film has cinematography by Praveen Shriyan and music by Midhun Mukundan. Apart from Raj B Shetty, the film stars Bharath GB, Hanumakka, Anjan Bharadwaj, and others in pivotal roles.